

Table of Rainfall recorded at station

Metereological Division.		Division.	District.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
SOUTH-WEST BENGAL.	Burdwan.	Burdwan.	Burdwan	Kalna	0'01	...	0'03	0'06	
			Burdwan	Katwa	0'05	...	0'08
			Burdwan	Raniganj
			Burdwan	Mankur
			Burdwan	Sori	0'03
			Burdwan	Hatampur
			Burdwan	Rampur Hat
			Burdwan	Bolpur
			Burdwan	Murari
			Burdwan	Labpur
Burdwan.	Bankura.	Bankura	Bankura	0'08	...	0'02	0'12	
		Bankura	Vishnupur	0'07	0'14	
		Bankura	Maliara	0'08	0'45	
		Bankura	Khatra	0'16	
		Bankura	Indas	
		Bankura	Kotalpur	
		Bankura	Onda	0'30	
		Bankura	Gangajalhati	0'22	
		Bankura	Raipur	0'16	
		Bankura	Sonamukhi	
Burdwan.	Midnapore.	Midnapore	Contai	...	...	0'04	0'45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Midnapore	Tamluk	0'30	0'19	...	0'40	0'21	
		Midnapore	Ghatal	0'34	0'34	...	0'09	
		Midnapore	Kukurahaty	0'74	0'08	
		Midnapore	Garihata	0'07	...	0'29	
		Midnapore	Panskura	0'58	
		Midnapore	Dantoon	0'08	0'22	...	0'04	
		Midnapore	Serampore	0'08	0'05	0'06	0'04	
		Midnapore	Hooghly	0'70	0'06	
		Midnapore	Jahanabad	
Burdwan.	Howrah.	Howrah	Howrah	...	...	0'19	0'23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Mohesreka	...	...	1'35	...	...	0'05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Ulubaria	...	...	1'40	0'02	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Saugor Island	...	...	0'70	0'25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Diamond Harbour	...	...	0'86	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Canning Town	...	...	...	0'12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Ahmapore (Observatory).	...	...	0'08	0'23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Barrackpore	...	...	0'10	...	...	0'12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Dum Dum	...	...	0'34	0'34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Howrah	Barasat	...	...	0'36	0'03	...	...	0'05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency.	Nadiv.	Nadiv	Rasihat	...	...	0'08	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Ranaghat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Krishnagar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Chudanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Meherpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Kushia	...	...	...	...	...	0'01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Kandi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Berhampore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Lalbagh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nadiv	Azimganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency.	Murshidabad.	Murshidabad	Jangipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Lalgola	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Akriganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Patkabari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Dumkal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Narail	...	...	0'49	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Jessore	...	...	...	...	...	...	0'03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Jhenidah	...	...	...	...	...	...	0'06	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Magura	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Murshidabad	Bangao	...	...	0'02	0'01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency.	Khulna.	Khulna	Satekhira	...	...	0'38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Bagerhat	...	...	0'12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Khulna	...	...	0'08	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Nakipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Rampal	...	...	0'02	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Badma	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Nator	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Naugao	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Lalpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Khulna	Manda	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency.	Dinajpur.	Dinajpur	Manadebpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Churaman	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Raiganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Dinajpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Baloorkhat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Thakurgaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Setabganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Jalpaiguri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Alipore Duar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	Fallacotta	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi.	Jalpaiguri.	Jalpaiguri	Debiganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Bhagatpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	(Nagrasatta).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Buxa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Siliguri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Darjeeling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Kalimpang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Mungpoo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Kurseong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jalpaiguri	Pealong	...	...	0'02	0'01	0'09	0'42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi.	Tibet.	Tibet	Yatung	0'10	0'02	...	...	0'18	0'04	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Dinhatia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Cooch Behar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Mickliganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Mathabhanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Fulbari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	Brahaniganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tibet	(Gaibanda).		
		Tibet	Rangpur		
		Tibet	Feerpur		
Rajshahi.	Bogra.	Bogra	Kuriganj												

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0.40	0.65	0.29	0.03	0.18	0.70	6	6.05	3.77	4.90	0.97	3.77	4.90	Munshiganj.	Dacca.	Dacca.	EAST BENGAL.
...	5	6.58	3.02	4.56	0.96	3.02	4.56	Dacca.			
...	5	5.96	4.01	5.17	1.80	4.01	5.17	Narainganj.			
...	4	6.70	3.34	4.26	1.63	3.34	4.26	Manikganj.			
...	3	6.84	3.57	4.98	2.28	3.57	4.98	Jaydebpur.			
...	3	5.28	3.03	5.33	1.90	3.03	5.33	Kishoreganj.			
...	4	6.23	3.15	3.65	0.60	1.55	3.65	Atia (Tangail).	Mymensingh.		
...	1	4.96	1.38	4.44	2.00	3.15	4.44	Mymensingh.			
...	3	7.08	0.98	5.36	0.53	1.38	5.36	Jamalpur.			
...	3	4.50	1.12	3.24	0.72	1.12	5.36	Netrokona.			
...	3	6.50	4.95	5.24	2.20	4.95	5.24	Subarnakhali.			
...	1	?	1.30	?	1.30	?	?	Durgapur.			
...	2	4.30	1.88	3.35	0.94	1.88	3.35	Sherepur Town.			
...	4	5.48	4.06	3.60	1.83	4.06	3.60	Madaripur.	Faridpur.		
...	4	6.23	3.02	4.20	1.18	3.02	4.20	Faridpur.			
...	6	5.79	3.02	4.08	0.98	3.02	4.08	Goalundo.			
...	1	4.17	0.77	3.01	0.75	0.77	3.01	Patuakhali.	Backergunge.		
...	3	3.72	1.97	2.51	1.21	1.97	2.51	Pirojpur.			
...	2	4.50	1.86	3.23	0.95	1.86	3.23	Barisal.			
...	3	4.40	1.86	4.46	0.90	1.86	4.46	Gauranadi.			
...	3	4.47	3.41	3.71	1.60	3.41	3.71	Bhola.			
...	2	?	1.92	?	1.23	1.92	?	Doulatkhan.			
...	2	3.20	0.97	2.34	0.74	0.97	2.34	Bauphal.			
...	2	6.13	0.72	5.91	0.55	0.72	5.91	Agartola.	Hill Tippera.		
...	3	6.70	1.44	5.61	1.02	1.44	5.61	Comilla.			
...	4	5.71	2.17	4.93	0.95	2.17	4.93	Chandpur.	Tippera.		
...	3	6.79	1.56	5.76	0.73	1.56	5.76	Brahmanbaria.			
...	3	6.50	4.93	4.93	?	4.93	4.93	Ramchandrapur.			
...	2	6.40	0.62	8.48	0.12	0.62	8.48	Nasirnagar.			
...	1	4.50	1.31	3.13	1.31	1.31	3.13	Daudkandi.			
...	3	5.80	2.57	6.17	1.25	2.57	6.17	Kasba.			
...	3	3.90	0.60	4.48	0.30	0.60	4.48	Laksm.	Chittagong.		
...	2	4.62	1.68	4.92	0.90	1.68	4.92	Noakhali.			
...	2	5.68	0.50	5.28	0.33	0.50	5.28	Penny.	Noakhali.		
...	2	3.80	1.12	3.78	0.96	1.12	3.78	Harishpur.			
...	2	4.50	2.33	3.76	1.80	2.33	3.76	Ramganj.			
...	1	3.66	0.85	2.55	0.78	0.85	2.55	Cox's Bazar.	Chittagong.		
...	Nil	3.60	0.16	3.85	0.12	0.16	3.85	Chittagong.			
...	2	3.90	0.11	2.98	0.08	0.11	2.98	Kutubdia.			
...	Nil	5.38	0.47	3.06	0.30	0.47	3.06	Satkania.			
...	2	?	0.03	4.60	0.05	0.05	4.60	Kodala.			
...	2	?	1.35	?	1.25	1.35	?	Fenol.			
...	1	?	0.52	?	0.37	0.52	?	Mirzapur.	South Lushai Hills.		
...	2	?	0.33	?	0.33	0.33	?	Chandpur.			
...	3	5.69	2.26	4.03	1.30	2.26	4.03	Rangamati.			
...	4	?	0.83	?	0.50	0.83	?	Bandarban.			
...	1	0.62	0.95	0.29	0.95	0.95	0.26	Demagiri.	Patna.		
...	1	0.34	0.56	0.20	0.56	0.56	0.20	Patna.			
...	3	0.77	0.94	0.23	0.33	0.94	0.23	Dinapore.			
...	1	0.56	0.33	0.15	0.27	0.33	0.15	Barh.			
...	1	0.67	0.25	0.35	0.11	0.25	0.35	Bikram.			
...	2	0.78	0.70	0.35	0.70	0.70	0.35	Hilsa.			
...	1	0.54	0.14	0.26	0.14	0.14	0.26	Aurangabad.	Gaya.		
...	1	0.48	0.67	0.23	0.62	0.67	0.23	Gaya.			
...	1	0.43	0.18	0.15	0.18	0.15	0.15	Nawada.			
...	1	0.20	0.15	0.08	0.15	0.15	0.08	Jahanabad.			
...	Nil	0.20	0.09	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.03	Arwal.			
...	1	0.00	0.29	0.01	0.27	0.29	0.01	Daudnagar.			
...	1	0.70	0.21	0.36	0.21	0.21	0.36	Sherghati.			
...	2	0.20	0.30	0.05	0.18	0.30	0.05	Rajauli.	Patna.		
...	Nil	0.35	0.07	0.16	0.07	0.07	0.16	Pakri Barawan.			
...	2	0.25	0.39	0.08	0.25	0.39	0.08	Buxar.	Shahabad.		
...	1	0.38	0.19	0.10	0.19	0.19	0.10	Dehri.			
...	1	0.58	0.34	0.15	0.28	0.34	0.15	Bhabhua.			
...	2	0.46	0.65	0.23	0.48	0.65	0.23	Sasaram.			
...	Nil	0.30	Nil	0.36	Nil	Nil	0.36	Arrah.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Mohanea.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Khiri.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Agean.	Saran.		
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Kamagar.			
...	1	?	0.02	?	0.02	0.02	?	Koath.			
...	Nil	?	0.12	?	0.12	0.12	?	Sikraul.			
...	1	0.56	0.47	0.17	0.47	0.47	0.17	Bassawan.			
...	Nil	0.60	0.02	0.21	0.02	0.02	0.21	Monaherpur.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Gopalganj.	Champanan.		
...	1	0.57	0.17	0.22	0.17	0.17	0.22	Siwan.			
...	1	?	0.15	?	0.15	0.15	?	Ekma.			
...	1	?	0.50	?	0.50	0.50	?	Chapra.			
...	1	?	1.00	?	1.00	1.00	?	Seerampur.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Amour.			
...	Nil	?	?	?	?	?	?	Basantpur.			
...	2	1.17	1.53	0.70	1.32	1.53	0.70	Darowli.	Bhagalpur.		
...	2	0.83	0.38	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.38	Bhoreh.			
...	2	1.10	0.57	0.48	0.29	0.87	0.58	Motihari.			
...	1	0.50	1.04	0.31	1.04	1.04	0.31	Bettiah.			
...	1	1.60	0.24	1.07	0.24	0.24	1.07	Bagaha.	Muzaffarpur.		
...	Nil	0.98	0.04	0.48	0.04	0.04	0.48	Burharwa.			
...	1	0.50	0.85	0.22	0.85	0.85	0.22	Sitamarhi.			
...	1	0.40	0.20	0.43	0.20	0.20	0.43	Muzaffarpur.			
...	1	0.50	0.60	0.45	0.60	0.60	0.45	Hajipur.			
...	2	0.60	0.96	0.34	0.72	0.96	0.34	Paru.			
...	2	1.20	1.25	0.68	1.03	1.25	0.68	Mahuwa.	Darbhanga.		
...	1	0.88	2.41	0.33	2.41	1.25	0.88	Shiuhar.			
...	2	1.44	1.27	0.61	1.02	2.41	0.33	Pupri.			
...	3	1.60	1.83	0.87	1.47	1.27	0.61	Tajpur.			
...	1	1.30	0.50	0.78	0.50	1.83	0.87	Darbhanga.			
...	1	0.80	1.53	0.34	1.53	0.50	0.78				

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...	1	1.56	2.58	0.96	1.40	2.58	0.96	Madhipura Banegaon. (Sylabad.)	Bhagalpur.	Bhagalpur—concluded.	BIHAR—concluded.
...	2	1.42	1.89	0.83	1.06	1.89	0.83	Supaul.			
...	3	2.80	2.49	1.40	1.60	2.49	1.40	Protoganj.			
...	3	1.42	0.98	0.90	0.50	0.98	0.90	Bhagalpur.			
...	1	1.42	1.55	0.68	1.55	1.55	0.68	Banka.			
...	1	1.20	0.90	0.78	0.41	0.90	0.78	Colgong.			
...	1	?	0.78	?	0.78	?	?	Bansil.			
...	2	2.63	1.64	1.78	1.16	1.64	1.78	Kishanganj ...	Purnea.		
...	2	2.21	2.01	1.52	1.22	2.01	1.52	Araria.			
...	3	2.04	1.43	1.43	0.91	1.43	1.43	Purnea.			
...	3	1.50	1.78	1.12	0.80	1.78	1.12	Gondwara (Korah).			
...	Nil?	?	Nil?	?	Nil?	Nil?	?	Barsoe.			
...	3	?	1.90	?	1.00	1.90	?	Forbesganj.			
...	2	3.90	1.60	2.24	1.30	1.60	2.24	Kaliaganj.			
...	1	1.81	0.71	1.12	0.71	0.71	1.12	Malda	Malda.		
...	3	2.17	1.44	1.08	0.77	1.44	1.08	Chanchal.			
...	2	2.20	1.17	1.21	1.05	1.17	1.21	Gajol.			
...	2	2.10	1.37	0.84	1.02	1.37	0.84	Sibganj.			
...	1	1.48	0.90	1.16	0.90	0.90	1.16	Rajmahal	Sonthal Par- ganjas.		
...	1	1.30	1.00	0.46	1.00	1.00	0.46	Godda.			
...	3	1.42	1.84	0.74	0.80	1.84	0.74	Pakour.			
...	2	2.46	0.93	0.96	0.66	0.93	0.96	Naya Dumka.			
...	1	1.73	1.10	0.92	1.02	1.10	0.92	Deoghur.			
...	2	1.81	1.10	0.66	0.82	1.10	0.66	Jamtara.			
...	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Belbadda.			
...	1	1.00	1.23	0.48	1.23	1.23	0.48	Nanihat.			
...	1	?	1.00	?	1.00	1.00	?	Assenboni.			
...	2	?	1.90	?	1.53	1.90	?	Katikund.			
...	2	?	1.52	?	1.19	1.52	?	Madhupur.			
...	2	?	1.72	?	0.92	1.72	?	Saraga.			
...	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Sarath.			
...	1	?	0.15	?	0.15	0.15	?	Baroke.			
...	2	?	0.70	?	0.57	0.70	?	Bhagya.			
...	1	?	1.00	?	1.00	1.00	?	Mohospore.			
...	1	?	0.27	?	0.27	0.27	?	Barharwa.			
...	2	?	0.96	?	0.74	0.96	?	Sahibganj.			
...	1	0.96	1.11	0.51	1.11	1.11	0.51	Jagatsingpur.	Cuttack.		
...	2	1.00	0.54	0.43	0.33	0.54	0.43	Banki.			
...	?	1.77	?	1.15	?	?	?	1.15	Cuttack.	Orissa.	ORISSA.
...	Nil	1.73	0.05	1.77	0.04	0.05	1.77	Paise Point.			
...	1	1.64	0.29	1.10	0.29	0.29	1.10	Kendrapara.			
...	2	2.60	1.17	1.67	0.90	1.17	1.67	Jajpur.			
...	2	2.10	1.27	1.10	1.16	1.27	1.10	Dharmasala.			
...	1	1.40	0.70	0.86	0.70	0.70	0.86	Salipore.			
...	4	?	1.87	?	1.14	1.87	?	Pal Lahara.			
...	3	1.91	1.63	1.47	1.18	1.63	1.47	Akhyapada ...	Balasore.		
...	2	1.87	1.20	1.07	1.10	1.20	1.07	Chandbali.			
...	4	3.32	2.46	1.96	0.80	2.46	1.96	Bhadrak.			
...	5	3.04	3.66	1.74	1.33	3.66	1.74	Soro.			
...	2	3.62	1.93	2.27	1.14	1.93	2.27	Balasore.			
...	2	2.30	1.19	1.40	0.69	1.19	1.40	Jellasore.			
...	2	2.94	0.60	1.45	0.38	0.60	1.45	Bariyada.			
...	Nil	0.81	0.08	0.45	0.05	0.08	0.45	Puri	Puri.		
...	1	0.96	0.11	0.55	0.11	0.11	0.55	Khurda.			
...	Nil	1.24	Nil	0.74	Nil	Nil	0.74	Kanpur.			
...	0.40	?	0.11	?	?	0.11	Gop.			
...	Nil	?	Nil	?	Nil	Nil	?	Satpara.			
...	Nil	0.80	Nil	0.20	Nil	Nil	0.20	Pipli.			
...	3	?	1.65	?	0.86	1.66	?	Nayagarh.			
...	2	?	0.47	?	0.20	0.47	?	Kanpur.			
...	2	1.32	0.32	0.63	0.15	0.32	0.63	Pachamba ... (Giridih)	Hazaribagh.		
...	3	1.15	0.45	0.41	0.12	0.45	0.41	Hazaribagh.			
...	?	0.88	0.32	?	?	?	0.32	Semtagurah.			
...	?	0.47	0.12	?	?	?	0.12	Mahudi Hills.			
...	2	0.62	1.00	0.26	0.80	1.00	0.26	Jhoomrah Hills.			
...	1	0.60	0.15	0.34	0.15	0.15	0.34	Barhi.			
...	2	0.40	0.54	0.14	0.34	0.54	0.14	Chatra.			
...	2	1.00	0.62	0.56	0.50	0.62	0.56	Karadeha.			
...	?	0.70	0.20	?	?	?	0.20	Kangar.			
...	3	1.00	0.76	0.32	0.33	0.76	0.32	Lohardaga	Lohardaga.		
...	3	1.81	0.74	0.64	0.24	0.74	0.64	Ranchi.			
...	1	0.90	0.32	0.54	0.17	0.32	0.54	Silli.			
...	1	?	0.36	?	0.20	0.36	?	Palkot.			
...	2	?	0.52	?	0.35	0.52	?	Tamar.			
...	2	?	1.47	?	1.03	1.47	?	Chainpur.			
...	0.30	4	0.50	0.90	0.28	0.30	0.90	0.28	Sirgupa.		
...	0.04	3	0.79	1.37	0.29	0.65	1.37	0.29	Jashpur.		
...	0.87	4	0.85	2.91	0.73	1.17	2.91	0.73	Gangpur.		
...	1	0.64	0.58	0.24	0.50	0.58	0.24	Palamau (Daitonganj)	Palamau.		
...	1	0.60	0.30	0.22	0.30	0.30	0.22	Balunath.			
...	1	0.30	0.43	0.10	0.42	0.43	0.10	Husainabad.			
...	1	0.30	0.54	0.07	0.54	0.54	0.07	Garhwa.			
...	4	2.19	1.03	0.94	0.40	1.03	0.94	Purulia.			
...	3	1.42	0.88	0.69	0.36	0.88	0.69	Gobindpur.	Manbhum.		
...	3	1.30	0.69	0.63	0.20	0.69	0.63	Raghu- nath- pur.			
...	4	1.60	2.01	1.25	1.07	2.01	1.25	Barabhum.			
...	4	1.90	1.12	1.29	0.32	1.12	1.29	Jhalda.			
...	2	1.60	1.67	0.99	1.35	1.67	0.99	Chas.			
...	4	?	1.03	?	0.55	1.03	?	Pandra.			
...	3	1.69	1.93	0.77	1.00	1.93	0.77	Chaibussa	Singbhum.		
...	4	1.60	1.25	0.76	0.48	1.25	0.76	Chakradhar- pur.			
...	2	1.20	0.55	0.88	0.40	0.55	0.88	Ghatasila.			
...	3	2.10	1.45	1.29	0.62	1.45	1.29	Nahargura.			
...	6	?	2.25	?	0.90	2.25	?	Gaikura.			
...	3	?	2.30	?	1.10	2.30	?	Kaibapur.			
...	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	Monahorpur.			
...	?	1.38	?	0.82	?	?	0.82	Keonjhar	Orissa Tributary Mahals.		
...	6	1.73	2.01	0.78	2.68	2.01	0.78	Anandpur.			
...	3	1.78	0.97	0.43	0.34	0.97	0.43	Talcher.			
...	4	2.07	3.76	0.94	1.55	3.76	0.94	Narsingpur.			
...	?	1.20	?	0.44	?	?	0.44	Angul.			
...	3	1.47	1.35	0.59	0.74	1.35	0.59	Dhenkanal.			
...	3	1.34	1.09	1.48	0.59	1.09	1.48	Bispara.			
...	3	?	2.18	?	1						

**SUMMARY OF THE METEOROLOGICAL AND RAINFALL OBSERVATIONS
TAKEN IN BENGAL, AND OF THE METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS
TAKEN IN ASSAM, FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1897.**

THE more noticeable features of the weather during April are—

(1) The rainfall when compared with the normal was heavier in the west than in the east of the province.

Bihar, Chota Nagpur and South-West Bengal all received more than the usual amount, while in East and North Bengal there was a large defect, in the former 2.42 and in the latter 1.18 inches. In Orissa the average fall was practically normal.

This arrangement is similar to what has obtained since the middle of February with a modification as regards Orissa. The shallow depressions which gave rise to the unsettled conditions usual when thunderstorms occur in the early part of the hot weather received a southerly displacement, which led to much heavier rainfall in Orissa than is usual at that time of the year. The effect of this displacement was shown as regards Chota Nagpur and South-West Bengal also. But during April the depressions, though receiving a check to their eastward movement, failed to reach the north of the Bay as in the previous months. The rainfall in Orissa is, therefore, lighter, while in East and North Bengal there is even less rain than in February and March.

(2) The alternations of temperature have been larger than usual, there having been three periods of comparatively cool weather and two during which the heat was much more severe than usual. The times of great heat were just after the middle and towards the end of the month, preceding the occurrence of disturbed weather with general thunderstorms and rain. The difference from the normal means for the month in the large divisions is not very great. In Bihar, North and East Bengal and Assam there was excess of 1° , and in Orissa and Chota Nagpur defect of little more than half a degree.

At the beginning of the month the pressure distribution was more uniform than usual, and fine calm weather with light south-westerly winds and low temperature prevailed, except in the north of the province, where wind directions were east or north-east. Pressure was slightly below the normal in the south of the Bay and above over the province by amounts increasing somewhat towards the north. Mean temperature was from 3° to 6° in defect, the latter in Bihar and Chota Nagpur. On the 2nd there were signs of the approach of a shallow depression from the west, temperature rose rapidly, the winds became more easterly and irregular, and on the following day thunderstorms occurred over almost the whole of Lower Bengal and Orissa. There were a few scattered showers in Chota Nagpur, but rainfall was almost entirely absent in North Bengal and Bihar. The changes of pressure on the 3rd gave an almost uniform distribution over the whole of the Bay and the province with a very shallow depression shown over the central districts of Bengal. The rise continued on the 4th most quickly over Orissa and a high pressure area developed. The arrangement then was unusual and was not accompanied by altogether settled weather, as scattered showers were falling in many districts and temperature was considerably below the normal, especially in the south-west of the province. The showers were more frequent on the 6th and 7th; but as westerly winds were becoming general and more regular, rainfall had ceased entirely on the 8th.

Throughout the first week of the month pressure changes were much more irregular than usual and at times of moderate amount, but the general distribution retained the same features as were noticed at the beginning. There was excess in the west and defect in the east; so that the distribution was much more uniform than is usual in the early part of April. From the 8th the peculiarity became less marked owing to a brisk fall which set in over the north of the province and extended southwards. On the 10th the distribution was very nearly normal, but a rapid rise over Bengal on the following day to a large extent restored the old arrangement. But these changes were only the oscillations which occur in the most settled weather and caused no disturbance, readings being again all but normal on the 16th.

The weather remained settled till towards the 20th, when the second and a more general series of thunderstorms began. A few days previously temperature began to rise, and from the 16th to the 19th more or less severe heat prevailed in all districts, the greatest excess being from 6° to 10° on the 18th. The approach of the slight depression was not well shown till the 18th, when the cyclonic circulation of winds was fairly regular with a centre in Chota Nagpur. The changes of pressure on the subsequent days were so irregular that the appearance of a depression was almost lost, but the cyclonic circulation remained, and it was probably owing to the interaction of the variable winds on the 20th and 21st that almost general rain fell in all parts of the province except Orissa, Chota Nagpur and the west of Bihar. Rainfall continued in East and North Bengal on the 23rd, but by that time settled weather was again almost general.

The fall of temperature caused by the thunderstorms of the 21st and 22nd was large, and on the latter date daily means were from 10° to 12° below the normal in all the central districts.

From the 20th to the 27th fine calm weather prevailed with steadily increasing temperature, excess on the 27th and 28th being generally between 4° and 7° . A short period

of disturbed weather followed, beginning on the 28th, when a few scattered showers fell in Chota Nagpur and South-West Bengal. Rainfall was more general on the 29th, but was in almost all cases light and confined to the south of the province. On the 30th there was very little rain except in part of South-West Bengal and the east of Bihar.

Pressure.—The mean values for April are above the normal at all stations and in most cases by moderate amounts. Excess is about .07 inch for Chota Nagpur, .05 inch for Orissa and the greater part of Bihar, and from .02 to .04 inch elsewhere. The distribution which generally prevailed was more uniform than usual in April, and this was due to the high readings over the province as compared with those at coast stations, especially in the extreme south where there was a small defect.

On the three occasions of disturbed weather when rain was general over a great part of the province, pressure changes were never large, and on the last of the three towards the close of the month pressure was rising during the first two of the three days of unsettled weather.

The peculiarity, noticed in previous reports, that a rapid rise of pressure began in the north or north-east of the province and forced the shallow depressions southwards over Orissa and the north-west angle of the Bay, was noticeable on only one occasion—about the 20th. Its effect was not so great, as it appeared only to prevent the unsettled weather passing eastwards over East and North Bengal which were in consequence deprived of a portion of the rainfall due in this month.

Temperature was very high about the middle and towards the end of the month, that is immediately before the commencement of the second and third of the disturbed periods. After the occurrence of thunderstorms there was an equally large defect, greatest on the 23rd, when defect in mean temperature varied from 2° in Orissa and the west of Bihar to 13° at Krishnagar and Burdwan.

Neither mean day nor night readings differed much from the normal. The difference in the former varied from defect of 2° in Orissa and part of Chota Nagpur to excess of 3° in East Bengal and Bihar; in the latter from defect of 1° in Orissa and South-West Bengal to excess of 1° in the west of Bihar.

Rainfall has been normal or slightly in excess in the western half of the province, the greatest difference being in Bihar, which received about 1 inch as compared with a normal fall of rather more than half an inch. There was a slight excess in South-West Bengal and Chota Nagpur and very nearly the normal fall in Orissa. In East Bengal and North Bengal there was a large defect—2.42 inches in the former and 1.18 in the latter. East Bengal received 1.91 instead of 4.33 and North Bengal 2 instead of 3.18 inches.

Thunderstorms with rain occurred on three occasions—the first near the beginning of the month, the second between the 19th and 21st and the last at the end. The showers were usually rather scattered, and the 21st was the only day on which most of the measuring stations reported rain. Even on that day a few districts were practically rainless, viz., Gaya, Shahabad, Orissa and the greater part of Chota Nagpur.

The following table gives the summary of the temperature and rainfall data of each of the seven meteorological divisions of the Province for the month of April 1897:—

METEOROLOGICAL DIVISIONS.	TEMPERATURE.								RAINFALL.						
	Highest observed during month.	Lowest observed during month.	Averages for month.			Average mean of month above or below normal mean of month.	Of month.			Rainy days.			Since 1st April 1897.		
			Of highest of each day.	Of lowest of each day.	Of mean for each day.		Average.	Normal average.	Variation.	Average number in month.	Normal average number in month.	Variation.	Average.	Normal average.	
South-West Bengal	113.1	65.2	90.9	75.1	87.5	+0.1	1.98	1.85	+0.13	3.12	2.90	+0.22	1.98	1.85	
North Bengal	108.8	56.6	94.7	70.4	82.6	+1.0	2.00	3.18	-1.18	2.83	4.36	-1.53	2.00	3.18	
East Bengal	107.9	61.0	93.6	73.4	83.6	+1.3	1.91	4.33	-2.42	2.71	5.31	-2.60	1.91	4.33	
Bihar	111.4	56.9	100.9	72.8	86.9	+1.1	0.97	0.57	+0.40	1.50	1.06	+0.44	0.97	0.57	
Orissa	108.3	67.5	93.4	77.7	85.6	-0.7	1.00	1.10	-0.10	1.60	1.89	-0.20	1.00	1.10	
Chota Nagpur	111.2	64.3	100.2	73.7	87.0	-0.6	0.80	0.56	+0.24	2.35	1.13	+1.22	0.80	0.56	
Assam	99.5	58.1	89.0	68.3	78.6	+1.3									

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,
The 11th May 1897.

C. LITTLE,
Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of Bengal.

Abstract of the Results of the Barometric and Thermometric Observations taken at 10 a.m. at the Meteorological Office, Chowringhee, in the month of April 1897.

	Inches.	Date.
The mean pressure at 10 A.M. during the month	29.851	
The mean temperature at 10 A.M. during the month	90.2	
The highest temperature during the month	106.6	17th.
The lowest temperature during the month	67.9	9th.
The absolute range of temperature during the month	38.7	
The mean daily range of temperature during the month	24.4	
The greatest range of temperature in one day during the month	33.2	13th.
The mean 10 A.M. humidity during the month	56	%
The mean 10 A.M. vapour tension during the month	.788	Inch.
The total rainfall of the month	1.09	
The greatest fall in 24 hours	0.38	29th.
The number of rainy days in the month	4	Days.

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METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,

The 10th May 1897.

Results of the Barometrical and Thermometrical Observations taken at the Meteorological Office, Chowringhee, from 2nd to 8th May 1897.

MONTH.	Date.	Pressure at 10 A.M. corrected and reduced to 32° Falt.	TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETRY.			Rainfall, past 24 hours
			Daily mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Dry bulb at 10 A.M.	Wet bulb at 10 A.M.	Vapour tension at 10 A.M.	Dew point at 10 A.M.	Humidity at 10 A.M.	
1897.		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°	Inches.	°	%	Inches.
May	2nd	29.852	84.4	93.0	17.2	75.8	79.6	75.6	.833	73.8	82	0.09
"	3rd	.797	81.7	91.5	19.6	71.9	84.6	76.4	.801	72.6	67	0.19
"	4th	.750	86.7	98.7	24.0	74.7	91.1	79.5	.853	74.4	59	Nil
"	5th	.667	88.5	97.4	17.9	79.5	93.4	83.5	1.014	79.7	64	"
"	6th	.622	86.9	96.9	20.1	76.8	89.8	84.1	1.095	82.0	78	0.25
"	7th	.503	90.4	97.0	13.3	83.7	92.0	84.5	1.084	81.7	72	0.03
"	8th	.636	91.6	102.7	22.3	80.4	94.1	85.6	1.113	82.5	70	0.03

The mean 10 A.M. pressure of the seven days ... 29.702

The mean temperature of the seven days ... 87.2

The extreme variation of temperature ... 30.8

The maximum temperature ... 102.7

The mean 10 A.M. relative humidity of the seven days ... 78

The total fall of rain from 2nd to 8th May 1897 ... 0.62

The daily mean temperatures are the crude means of maximum and minimum temperatures.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,

The 10th May 1897.

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Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Alipore Observatory from
2nd to 8th May 1897.

Date.	Maximum in sun.	Number of hours of bright sunshine.	Mean pressure barometer at 32° Fahr.	TEMPERATURE.				HYGROMETRY.				WIND.		Rain.	WEATHER.
				Mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Mean wet bulb.	Vapour tension.	Dew point.	Humidity.	Prevailing direction.	Miles recorded.		
	°		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	Inches	°	%			Inches.	
2nd	148.5	4.4	29.780	80.9	91.3	16.1	75.2	75.3	0.809	72.8	78	N N E and variable.	103	0.08	Chiefly cloudy, o, d, t.
3rd	157.2	9.9	.740	81.8	91.5	20.1	71.4	74.5	.755	70.8	71	E N E, and variable.	79	Nil	Partially cloudy.
4th	160.2	10.9	.687	85.4	95.3	21.1	74.2	76.7	.802	72.6	67	E N E, S W, and S S E.	111	"	Chiefly clear.
5th	150.4	10.5	.614	86.9	95.2	16.0	79.2	79.3	.900	76.0	72	S S W, and S S E	210	0.36	Partially cloudy, o, t, lr. < p.
6th	148.4	7.6	.582	87.8	94.4	18.8	75.6	82.1	1.024	80.0	78	S, S S W, and S S E.	190	Nil	Partially cloudy.
7th	147.5	6.7	.571	88.7	94.9	10.9	84.0	82.5	1.030	80.1	76	S S W, and S S E.	238	0.05	Chiefly cloudy. o, d, lr.
8th	152.4	8.9	.595	90.2	99.7	20.5	79.2	83.0	1.032	80.2	73	S S W, and S ...	279	Nil	Partially cloudy.

The mean pressure of the seven days ...

The average pressure of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office ...

The total number of hours of bright sunshine ...

The maximum possible number of hours of sunshine ...

The mean temperature of the seven days ...

The average temperature of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office ...

The extreme variation of temperature ...

The maximum temperature ...

The highest velocity of the wind in one hour ...

The mean relative humidity ...

The average relative humidity of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office ...

The total fall of rain from 2nd to 8th May 1897 ...

The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office ...

The total fall from 1st January to 8th May 1897 ...

The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office ...

The mean pressure, temperature, &c., are deduced from the traces of the Barograph and Thermograph, from observations made at 6h., 10h., 16h and 22h.

The maximum and minimum temperatures are obtained from self-registering thermometers. All the thermometers are verified and the readings have been corrected to a standard constructed and verified at the new Observatory. They are exposed under a thatched shed open at the sides, and are suspended four feet above the ground.

The barometer readings are corrected approximately to those of the standard, Newman's No. 86, formerly at the Surveyor-General's Office.

The hygrometric elements are obtained from Tables III, IV, and V of the official tables computed in the Meteorological Office, and based on Regnault's modifications of August's formula.

The directions and the movement of the wind are taken from the trace of a Beckley's anemograph.

The mouth of the rain-gauge is one foot above the ground.

o, overcast; d, drizzling rain; t, thunder; < lightning; p, passing temporary showers; lr, lightning reflection.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GOVT. OF INDIA,
Calcutta, the 10th May 1897.J. H. GILLILAND,
For Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of India.

CIRCULAR AND EASTERN CANALS.

*Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ending Saturday, the 8th May 1897,
as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.*

NATURE OF CARGO.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 8TH MAY 1897.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 9TH MAY 1896.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
	No.	Mds.	Rs.	No.	Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy	156	22,825	312	119	31,610	478
Jute	8	8,755	139	8	9,700	164
Firewood	69	45,625	724	65	49,150	644
Other articles	511	1,60,325	2,274	558	1,70,873	2,628
Total	744	2,37,530	3,449	750	2,61,333	3,909

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

Statement of Goods Traffic in Staples carried during the four weeks ending 27th March 1897, as compared with the same period of 1896.

STAPLES.	1896.		1897.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.
	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.
Coal & Coke carried for the public and foreign railways	50,79,334	8,42,713	73,09,074	8,85,250	13,29,740	42,537	...	...
Cotton, raw	77,680	40,082	1,63,663	89,776	76,083	69,694	...	...
Cotton, manufactured—								
1.—Twist & Yarn, European	5,222	6,173	6,044	6,042	822	...	...	131
2.—Ditto, Indian	18,619	9,442	23,422	9,446	4,803	...	...	...
3.—Piece-goods—European	1,47,014	1,43,250	1,83,630	1,80,905	36,616	37,655	...	...
4.—Ditto —Indian	16,618	8,721	17,617	21,616	1,099	11,895	...	...
Drugs and Chemicals—								
1.—Intoxicating, other than opium	335	168	693	969	358	801	...	...
2.—Non-intoxicating	8,920	7,975	10,582	9,740	1,662	1,774	...	...
Dyes and Tans—								
1.—Indigo	1,659	1,367	1,950	2,050	291	683	...	...
2.—Myrabolams	19,101	5,458	24,729	6,362	5,628	904	...	...
3.—Cutch	4,223	1,774	2,702	1,105	...	...	1,521	669
4.—Turmeric	12,023	9,078	8,743	5,212	...	...	3,280	3,866
5.—Aniline dyes	107	107	292	192	185	85	...	...
6.—Others	4,640	2,956	6,344	2,526	1,704	...	...	430
Grain and Pulse—								
1.—Wheat	2,25,445	75,354	1,25,579	27,396	...	...	99,866	47,958
2.—Rice in the husk	24,098	3,451	1,08,710	23,421	84,612	19,970	...	...
3.—Rice not in the husk	5,27,713	87,881	15,92,308	5,78,816	10,64,595	4,90,935	...	...
4.—Jowar and bajra	9,473	1,114	22,566	3,095	13,093	1,961	...	...
5.—Gram & pulse	2,77,423	77,671	5,30,565	1,66,621	2,62,142	79,950	...	...
6.—Others	52,454	10,643	1,05,528	18,996	53,074	8,363	...	...
Hides and Skins—								
1.—Hides of cattle	51,714	33,259	86,494	60,951	34,780	27,699	...	...
2.—Skins of sheep, &c.	12,267	4,164	12,838	4,895	571	731	...	...
Horns	1,189	758	1,630	929	...	171	...	...
Jute—								
1.—Raw	1,05,628	28,930	69,560	17,861	...	...	36,368	10,969
2.—Gunny-bags and cloth	76,718	38,058	67,950	30,699	...	...	7,768	7,359
Lac—								
1.—Stick	37,766	13,120	28,976	11,476	...	...	8,790	1,644
2.—Shell	23,732	19,604	30,277	23,446	6,545	2,842	...	...
Leather, manufactured	4,020	4,917	4,404	4,512	...	...	216	405
Liquors—								
1.—Beer	16,361	7,564	14,284	4,340	...	...	2,077	3,224
2.—Spirits	2,509	1,656	1,567	1,787	...	81	942	...
3.—Wines	2,598	4,615	2,502	5,291	...	676	96	...
Metals—								
1.—Copper, unwrought	1,580	2,048	488	671	...	...	1,092	1,377
2.—Brass, ditto	4,387	2,739	1,280	676	...	...	5,107	2,163
3.—Copper, wrought	1,155	863	2,785	3,283	1,630	2,420	...	...
4.—Brass, ditto	15,445	6,202	14,705	7,856	...	1,654	740	...
5.—Iron	1,12,160	47,042	1,54,216	71,697	42,056	24,655	...	...
6.—Others	9,212	6,912	9,113	6,990	...	78	99	...
7.—Zinc & spelter	2,698	1,801	820	635	...	...	1,878	1,166
Oils—								
1.—Kerosine	1,30,943	48,865	92,633	38,494	...	...	38,310	10,871
2.—Castor	1,991	5,664	2,535	621	...	...	3,129	1,370
3.—Cocconut	3,025	1,029	4,446	1,855	1,421	826	...	...
4.—Others	13,428	8,745	11,605	4,571	...	...	1,823	4,174
Oil-seeds—								
1.—Linseed	1,91,892	30,224	64,504	16,918	...	...	1,27,388	13,306
2.—Rape and mustard	2,98,708	1,39,899	3,13,442	71,618	14,734	...	...	68,381
3.—Til or jinjili	40,615	6,637	13,731	1,718	...	...	26,884	4,819
4.—Poppy	4,723	1,278	7,979	2,190	3,256	822	...	...
5.—Earthnuts	96	44	86	32	...	...	10	12
6.—Castor	44,849	9,335	64,765	13,103	19,916	3,768	...	...
7.—Others	3,692	248	697	118	...	...	2,995	140
Opium	1,403	1,275	708	252	...	...	635	993
Peper and pasteboard	16,742	8,084	15,549	7,378	...	...	1,193	706
Provisions—								
1.—Ghee	35,383	30,675	43,721	33,797	8,336	3,122	...	...
2.—Dried fruits and nuts	9,083	5,032	5,701	5,877	...	845	382	...
3.—Others	38,737	21,968	55,364	33,554	16,627	11,586	...	...
4.—Potatoes	98,111	27,144	69,293	9,743	...	...	28,818	17,401
Railway plant & rolling-stock carried for the public & foreign railways—								
1.—Locomotive engines & tenders & parts thereof	92	39	...	...	...	...	92	39
2.—Carriages & trucks & parts thereof	284	63	95,443	21,549	95,159	21,486	...	...
3.—Steel rails & fish-plates	271	43	...	...	...	...	271	44
4.—Sleepers & keys of steel & cast iron ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5.—Other sorts	1,63,097	14,071	5,40,967	1,68,979	4,37,810	1,82,908	...	...
Salt	4,22,324	79,678	6,95,236	1,02,901	2,72,912	23,223	...	...
Saltpetre, &c.—								
1.—Saltpetre	95,063	41,409	87,930	27,719	...	...	7,133	13,780
2.—Other saline substances	32,602	11,737	36,051	12,910	3,449	1,173	...	...
Silk, raw—								
1.—Foreign	2	1	82	5	80	4	...	...
2.—Indian	2,600	1,293	3,709	2,141	1,109	849	...	...
Silk piece-goods—								
1.—Foreign	19	39	11	36	...	...	8	3
2.—Indian	214	359	303	352	88	...	...	27

STAPLES.	1896.		1897.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.	Weight.	Freight.
	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Mds.	Rs.
<i>Spices—</i>								
1.—Betel-nuts ...	18,021	17,893	16,673	14,472	...	...	1,948	3,421
2.—Pepper ...	2,011	2,005	2,262	1,981	251	...	...	24
3.—Ginger ...	1,553	479	1,702	751	140	272	...	...
4.—Chillies ...	22,527	14,234	35,459	22,705	12,932	8,471	...	...
5.—Mustamoms ...	1,087	1,369	737	959	...	...	350	410
6.—Others ...	2,404	853	2,016	1,025	...	172	368	...
Stone and lime ...	3,98,019	58,750	4,32,474	59,469	34,455	719	...	...
<i>Sugar—</i>								
1.—Refined ...	11,398	5,716	6,507	3,873	...	...	4,891	2,343
2.—Unrefined ...	6,70,995	1,12,019	5,68,907	1,07,130	...	...	1,02,088	4,889
<i>Tea—</i>								
1.—Foreign ...	...	...	166	79	166	79	...	...
2.—Indian ...	2,033	739	1,751	1,771	...	1,632	282	...
Timber ...	1,68,832	34,387	2,55,562	43,480	86,730	9,203	...	...
Tobacco ...	88,404	42,449	90,024	42,831	1,620	382	...	...
Wool, raw ...	1,511	792	2,296	2,319	785	1,527	...	...
<i>Wool, manufactured—</i>								
1.—Piece-goods, European ...	24	12	153	380	129	318	...	...
2.—" Indian ...	2,607	1,216	2,376	2,410	...	1,194	231	...
3.—Shawls ...	4	7	...	...	...	...	4	7
<i>All other articles of merchandise—</i>								
1.—Firewood ...	22,240	1,171	29,580	2,357	7,340	1,186	...	...
2.—Indigo seed ...	31,815	7,680	52,968	17,824	21,153	10,144	...	...
3.—Mowah flower ...	1,807	1,054	15,161	3,565	13,354	2,511	...	...
4.—Oil-cake ...	51,942	8,354	69,891	11,339	17,949	2,985	...	...
5.—Paints & colours ...	14,079	3,334	28,333	5,627	14,254	2,293	...	...
6.—Seeds other than oilseeds ...	34,731	13,455	60,306	17,892	25,575	4,437	...	...
7.—Wooden articles ...	13,183	5,734	17,015	7,713	3,832	1,979	...	...
8.—Others ...	4,78,017	1,86,008	5,98,996	2,30,949	1,20,979	50,941	...	...
Total ...	1,15,26,345	25,71,338	1,52,68,375	34,81,102	37,42,030	9,09,764	...	...
Military stores ...	22,205	29,775	14,083	18,639	...	...	8,122	11,135
Coal for railway ...	9,44,169	72,891	4,96,767	30,529	...	...	4,47,402	42,362
Railway materials ...	15,19,777	49,175	11,73,848	37,314	...	...	3,45,929	11,861
Live-stock ...	...	9,542	...	4,964	...	...	...	4,578
Total ...	1,40,12,496	27,32,731	1,69,53,073	83,72,548	29,40,577	8,39,827	...	...

C. W. CLARKE, Assistant Auditor.

TRAFFIC AUDIT OFFICE, GOODS DIVISION, JAMALPUR, the 7th May 1897.

Abstract of principal commodities carried over the Bengal Central Railway during the month of February 1897, as compared with the same month of the previous year.

STAPLES.	1897.		1896.		TOTAL.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	1897.	1896.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.		
Coal and Coke carried for the Public and Foreign Railways.	2,330	12	3,083		2,942	3,053		141
Cotton, raw		15			15		15	
Cotton, manufactured—								
Twist and yarn, European	127		113		127	113	14	
Ditto, Indian		1			1		1	
Piece-goods, European	400		313		400	313	87	
Ditto, Indian	3	1	2		4	2	2	
Drugs and Chemicals—								
Intoxicating, other than Opium								
Non-intoxicating—								
Cinchona bark								
Others	1		1		1	1		
Dyes and Tans—								
Indigo				13		13		13
Myrabolams								
Cutch								
Turmeric	2	1	1	14	3	15		12
Aniline Dyes								
Others								
Grain and Pulse—								
Wheat								
Rice in the husk	17	79	10	11	96	21	75	
Do. not in the husk	129	767	7	356	896	363	533	
Jawar and bajra								
Gram and pulse	51	449	54	1,079	500	1,183		633
Others								
Hides and Skins—								
Hides of cattle—								
Dressed or tanned								
Raw								
Skins of Sheep, &c.—								
Dressed or tanned		11		34	11	34		23
Raw								
Horns								
Java—								
Raw	1	211						
Gunny-bags and cloth	28	3	20	241	212	241	11	29
Leather—								
Stick								
Shell								
Leather, manufactured	11		11		11	11		
Liquors—								
Beer								
Spirits								
Wines	6		3		6	3	3	
Metals—								
Copper, unwrought								
Brass, ditto			2			2		2
Copper, wrought								
Brass, ditto	19	4	11	14	23	25		2
Iron	44	1	41		45	41	4	
Others	13	18	18	7	31	25	6	
Oil—								
Kerosine	188	5	185		193	155	38	
Castor			3			3		3
Coconut	7		14		7	14		7
Others	114		180		114	180		66
Oilseeds—								
Linseed	5	1		87	6	87		81
Rape and mustard	27	11	44		38	44		6
Til or jinja								
Poppy		23			22		22	
Earth-nuts								
Castor								
Others								
Opium								
Paper and Pasteboard	11		60		11	60		49
Provisions—								
Ghee	2		3		2	3		1
Dried fruits and nuts	2				2			
Others	431	237	338	286	668	624	44	
Railway plant and rolling-stock carried for the Public and Foreign Railways—								
Locomotives, engines, and tenders, and parts thereof								
Carriages and trucks, and parts thereof								
Materials—								
Steel rails and fish-plates, sleepers, and keys of steel and cast-iron.								
Other sorts								
Salt								
Sulphate, &c.—								
Salt-petre	625	11	189	2	636	161	475	
Other saline substances								
Raw—								
Foreign								
Indian								
Piece-goods—								
Foreign								
Indian								
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SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 12, 1897.

STAPLES.	1897.		1896.		TOTAL.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	1897.	1896.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Spices—								
Betel-nuts	4	979	1	774	983	775	208	
Pepper								
Ginger								
Chillies	6	28	50	12	34	62		
Cardamoms								
Others	16	11	5	3	27	8	19	
Lime and lime-stone			11	5		16		
Sugar—								
Refined or crystallized, including sugar-candy.	16		5	11	16	16		
Unrefined, viz., molasses and jaggery or gur, and other saccharine produce.	174	379	134	1,043	553	1,177		
Tea—								
Foreign			3			3		
Indian	29	2	28		31	28	3	
Timber								
Tobacco—								
Unmanufactured	41	9	74	17	50	91		
Manufactured—								
Cigars	2				2		2	
Other sorts								
Wool, raw								
Wool, manufactured—								
Piece-goods, European	1				1		1	
Ditto, Indian								
Shawls								
All other articles of merchandise	222	435	369	356	657	725		
Total	5,705	3,703	5,326	4,365	9,408	9,621	1,565	

A. Y. KELSON,
Auditor.

CALCUTTA, the 6th May 1897.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 1,701.11 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	*320,300	Rs. A. P. *3,19,116 12 0	Mds. s. 40,17,622 10	Rs. A. P. 8,71,171 6 0	Rs. A. P. 20,349 0 0	Rs. A. P. 12,10,637 2 0	89,769	147,503	237,272
Or per mile of railway ...	.....	187 9 6	.....	512 1 11	11 15 5	711 10 10	.....	.....	.....
For previous 16½ weeks of half-year ...	†5,056,602	†53,78,660 6 0	†6,80,61,443 0	†1,40,50,783 0 0	†3,59,260 0 0	†1,97,88,703 6 0	1,489,425½	2,502,170	3,990,595½
Total for 17½ weeks ...	5,876,902	56,97,777 2 0	7,20,79,065 10	1,40,21,954 6 0	3,79,609 0 0	2,09,99,340 8 0	1,576,194½	2,649,673	4,227,867½
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	401,914½	3,60,250 15 7	33,77,181 20	7,04,056 12 11	21,788 6 2	10,86,098 2 8	80,958	132,312	213,270
Or per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	.....	211 14 3	.....	414 1 8	12 13 0	638 12 11	.....	.....	.....
Total for corresponding 17½ weeks of previous year ...	5,063,188½	66,65,932 11 5	6,32,46,457 20	1,29,39,967 14 11	3,39,547 8 8	1,99,45,448 3 0	1,470,147	2,481,181	3,951,278

* The decrease is in outward traffic.

† Deducted No. of passengers 2,330 and Rs. 4,365

‡ Ditto Mds. 2,36,640 and .. 22,692

§ Added .. 60

On account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the weeks ended 20th March 1897.

TARKESSUR BRANCH RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 22.23 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	20,404	Rs. A. P. 4,935 3 0	Mds. s. 21,070 0	Rs. A. P. 608 7 0	Rs. A. P. 6 0 0	Rs. A. P. 5,544 10 0	1,106	82	1,188
Or per mile of railway ...	.....	222 0 1	.....	27 2 4	0 4 4	249 6 9	.....	.....	.....
For previous 16½ weeks of half-year ...	*418,947	*1,08,393 7 0	†3,31,564 10	†11,602 8 0	†89 0 0	1,20,084 15 0	17,998	1,582	19,580
Total for 17½ weeks ...	439,351	†1,13,328 10 0	3,52,634 10	12,205 15 0	95 0 0	1,25,029 9 0	19,104	1,664	20,768
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	22,816½	5,423 14 3	11,185 20	467 4 0	7 6 0	5,898 8 3	1,138	50	1,188
Or per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	.....	243 15 10	.....	21 0 3	0 5 4	265 5 5	.....	.....	.....
Total for corresponding 17½ weeks of previous year ...	447,197	1,14,112 7 6	2,44,022 10	8,805 12 0	209 7 9	1,23,127 11 3	20,022	1,450	21,472

* Added No. of passengers 989 and

† Ditto Mds. 2,836 and

‡ Ditto

Rs. 547

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On account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended 20th March 1897.

DELHI-UMBALLA-KALKA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 160.47 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	*17,142	Rs. A. P. *15,583 0 0	Mds. s. 1,18,960 10	Rs. A. P. 12,021 13 0	Rs. A. P. 74 0 0	Rs. A. P. 27,677 13 0	7,302	3,511	10,813
Or per mile of railway ...	.....	97 1 8	.....	74 14 8	0 7 4	172 7 8	.....	.....	.....
For previous 16½ weeks of half-year ...	†276,099	†2,42,247 2 0	†15,95,303 30	†1,83,096 4 0	†998 0 0	4,26,341 6 0	108,527	60,055	168,582
Total for 17½ weeks ...	293,241	2,57,829 2 0	17,14,264 0	1,95,118 1 0	1,072 0 0	4,54,019 3 0	115,829	63,566	179,395
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	22,127	17,577 6 3	77,599 30	8,032 14 3	54 10 0	25,664 14 6	6,782	4,094	10,876
Or per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	.....	108 14 6	.....	49 12 4	0 5 5	159 0 3	.....	.....	.....
Total for corresponding 17½ weeks of previous year ...	365,436½	2,99,425 8 10	11,52,383 20	1,60,411 3 10	1,073 15 9	4,60,910 12 8	118,718	59,022	177,779

* The increase is in outward traffic.

† Added No. of passengers 295 and

‡ Ditto Mds. 16,250

§ Ditto

Rs. 1,596

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On account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended 20th March 1897.

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

(CHITTAGONG SECTION.)

Audited Return of Traffic for the week ended 27th February 1897 on 274 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	20,575	13,323 0 5	75,099 0	7,861 0 9	826 6 4	21,950 7 6	3,706	6,634	10,340
Or per mile of railway ...	75.09	48.62 0 0	264.08 0	27.28 0 0	2.89 0 0	78.79 0 0	13.52	23.20	36.72
For previous 7 weeks of half-year ...	134,190	76,821 13 11	9,98,020 0	61,438 2 0	2,669 4 3	1,40,429 4 2	27,747	45,923	73,670
Total for 8 weeks ...	154,765	89,644 14 4	10,74,719 0	69,239 2 9	3,495 10 7	1,62,379 11 8	31,453	52,557	84,010
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	19,556	12,836 7 9	1,98,540 0	4,251 4 0	149 12 0	17,237 7 9	2,706	3,761	6,467
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	124.56	81.76 0 0	1,264.59 0	27.08 0 0	.95 0 0	109.79 0 0	17.24	23.95	41.19
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	150,148	107,524 3 10	16,75,984 0	35,388 3 3	1,383 1 0	1,44,295 8 1	21,991	36,943	58,934

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Audited Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 27TH FEBRUARY 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 29TH FEBRUARY 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1896 TO 27TH FEBRUARY 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 29TH FEBRUARY 1896.			Total increase in 1897.	Total decrease in 1897.
Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Rs.	Rs.
286	Rs. 21,950	Rs. 78.79	157	Rs. 17,237	Rs. 109.79	286	Rs. 5,79,716	.....	157	Rs. 3,58,720	.....	Rs. 2,20,996	Rs. 6

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

(CHITTAGONG SECTION.)

Audited Return of Traffic for the Week ended 6th March 1897 on 274 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	25,671	16,366 0 2	1,17,510 0	8,691 15 6	298 6 6	25,358 6 2	3,960	5,145	9,105
Or per mile of railway ...	93.69	59.73 0 0	419.87 0	30.39 0 0	1.04 0 0	91.16 0 0	14.45	17.99	32.44
For previous 8 weeks of half-year ...	154,765	89,644 14 4	10,74,719 0	69,239 2 9	3,495 10 7	1,62,379 11 8	31,453	52,557	84,010
Total for 9 weeks ...	180,436	1,06,010 14 6	11,92,229 0	77,931 2 3	3,794 1 1	1,87,736 1 10	35,413	57,799	93,212
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	18,007	10,898 2 0	2,13,592 0	4,524 5 0	168 9 0	15,591 0 0	2,089	4,600	6,689
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	114.69	69.41 0 0	1,860.45 0	28.81 0 0	1.08 0 0	99.30 0 0	13.30	29.30	42.60
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	168,155	1,18,422 5 10	18,89,576 0	39,912 8 3	1,551 10 0	1,59,886 8 1	24,080	41,543	65,623

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Audited Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 6TH MARCH 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 7TH MARCH 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1896 TO 6TH MARCH 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 7TH MARCH 1896.			Total increase in 1897.	Total decrease in 1897.
Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked per week.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked per week.	Rs.	Rs.
286	Rs. 25,358	Rs. 91.16	157	Rs. 15,591	Rs. 99.30	286	Rs. 6,05,072	.....	157	Rs. 3,74,311	.....	Rs. 2,30,761	.....

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

(CHITTAGONG SECTION.)

Audited Return of Traffic for the week ended 13th March 1897 on 348 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Traffic for the week ...	23,855	13,864 0 2	1,54,866 20	10,079 3 6	237 10 3	24,230 13 11	3,946	7,164	11,110
per mile of railway ...	68'55	39'84 0 0	428'80 0	28'00 0 0	'80 0 0	68'64 0 0	11'34	19'90	31'24
previous 9 weeks of half-year ...	194,094	1,14,543 5 6	14,11,653 20	85,633 13 3	4,765 7 10	2,04,942'10 7	38,351	67,037	105,388
Total for 10 weeks ...	217,949	1,28,407 5 8	15,66,020 0	95,713 0 9	5,053 2 1	2,29,173 8 6	42,297	74,201	116,498
COMPARISON.									
for corresponding week of previous year ...	12,346	6,232 3 4	2,61,161 0	5,659 2 3	156 13 0	12,048 2 7	4,406	1,858	6,354
per mile of railway correspond- ing week of previous year ...	78'64	39'60 0 0	1,663'45 0	36'05 0 0	1'00 0 0	76'74 0 0	28'64	11'53	40'17
to corresponding date of previous year ...	180,501	1,24,654 9 2	21,50,737 0	45,671 10 6	1,708 7 0	1,71,934 10 8	28,576	43,401	71,977

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 13TH MARCH 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 14TH MARCH 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1896 TO 13TH MARCH 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 14TH MARCH 1896.			Total increase in 1897. "	Total decrease in 1897.
Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Rs.	
Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	
24,231	68'64	157	12,048	76'74	360	6,46,511	...	157	3,86,361	...	2,60,150		.....

EASTERN BENGAL STATE RAILWAY.

(INCLUDING N. B., DACCA, K.-D., AND ASSAM-BEHAR SECTIONS.)

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 814 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (including ferry).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Traffic for the week ...	181,200	97,100 0 0	6,48,780 0	1,10,110 0 0	5,930 0 0	2,13,140 0 0	38,031	29,475	67,506
per mile of railway ...	223	119 0 0	797 0	135 0 0	*1 0 0	*255 0 0	.....	.....	.....
previous 16 weeks of half-year ...	3,732,614	17,51,805 0 0	1,25,02,043 0	18,75,668 0 0	2,33,830 0 0	38,61,303 0 0	550,610	534,198	1,084,808
Total for 17 weeks ...	3,413,614	18,48,905 0 0	1,31,50,823 0	19,85,778 0 0	2,39,760 0 0	40,74,443 0 0	588,641	563,673	1,152,314
COMPARISON.									
for corresponding period of previous year ...	210,334	96,090 0 0	7,61,314 0	1,17,305 0 0	7,756 0 0	2,21,151 0 0	31,529	30,407	61,936
per mile of railway correspond- ing week of previous year ...	259	118 0 0	936 0	144 0 0	2 0 0	264 0 0	.....	.....	.....
to corresponding date of previous year ...	3,675,086	18,45,704 0 0	1,43,48,822 0	21,47,328 0 0	2,67,222 0 0	42,60,254 0 0	552,723	539,841	1,092,564

* Excluding steamer earnings.

† Audited up to 6th March 1897.

DACCA STATE RAILWAY.

** Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 86 miles open.*

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Traffic for the week ...	18,750	6,180 0 0	16,720 0	1,700 0 0	290 0 0	8,260 0 0	2,937	895	3,832
per mile of railway ...	218	72 0 0	194 0	21 0 0	3 0 0	96 0 0	.....	.....	.....
previous 16 weeks of half-year ...	343,670	1,03,433 0 0	524,806 0	46,631 0 0	2,862 0 0	1,52,926 0 0	42,515	15,783	58,298
Total for 17 weeks ...	362,420	1,09,613 0 0	541,526 0	48,331 0 0	3,152 0 0	1,61,186 0 0	45,452	16,678	62,130
COMPARISON.									
for corresponding period of previous year ...	19,580	5,884 0 0	26,873 0	2,827 0 0	69 0 0	8,780 0 0	2,380	874	3,254
per mile of railway correspond- ing week of previous year ...	228	68 0 0	312 0	33 0 0	1 0 0	102 0 0	.....	.....	.....
to corresponding date of previous year ...	402,101	1,27,378 0 0	466,370 0	43,896 0 0	4,320 0 0	1,75,594 0 0	42,933	14,595	57,528

* Audited up to 6th March 1897.

BENGAL CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 1st May 1897 on 125 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	30,053	11,868 0 0	77,510 0	4,421 0 0	640 0 0	16,929 0 0	4,412	3,006	
Or per mile of railway ...	240	96 0 0	620 0	35 0 0	5 0 0	135 0 0	.....	.....
For previous 16 weeks of half-year*	543,773	2,10,416 0 0	11,40,941 0	65,048 0 0	5,611 0 0	2,81,075 0 0	66,121	45,978	
Total for 17 weeks ...	573,826	2,22,284 0 0	12,18,451 0	69,469 0 0	6,251 0 0	2,98,004 0 0	70,533	47,044	
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	32,968	11,315 0 0	54,424 0	3,782 0 0	63 0 0	15,160 0 0	3,685	1,987	
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	264	91 0 0	435 0	30 0 0	.....	121 0 0	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	594,338	2,05,297 0 0	11,51,445 0	70,194 0 0	3,108 0 0	2,78,599 0 0	66,366	33,531	

* Audited up to week ending 27th February 1897.

BENGAL AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.

(INCLUDES TIRHUT STATE RAILWAY.)

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ending 24th April 1897 on 819 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated), including steam-boat.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN		
	Number of passengers.	Receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
Total traffic for the week on 819 miles open ...	117,220	648,540	5,68,120	573,690	15,080	(a) 1,37,290	15,867	(c) 24,436	
Or per mile of railway ...	143.13	59.27	693.68	89.97	18.39	167.63	.....	.....
For previous 15½ weeks of half-year (d) ...	1,595,771	6,82,443	70,33,824	8,93,340	2,29,960	18,05,752	238,610	332,759	
Total for 16½ weeks ...	1,712,991	7,30,983	76,01,944	9,67,030	2,45,029	19,43,042	254,177	357,195	
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year on 756 miles open ...	145,896	52,327	5,10,025	69,643	18,583	1,47,453	15,198	(c) 23,436	
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	192.98	78.24	674.04	92.12	24.58	195.04	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	1,875,472	7,77,293	80,61,204	10,91,602	2,37,743	21,06,633	232,195	373,533	

(a) The decrease in passengers and other earnings is chiefly due to earnings having been high last year, it having been an auspicious season for celebrating marriages.

(b) The increase is due to brisker traffic.

(c) Includes 609 miles of ballast trains run on open line.

(d) Includes audited figures up to week ending 20th February 1897.

(e) Includes 3,516 miles of ballast trains run on open line.

DARJEELING-HIMALAYAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

						Rs. A. P.
Approximate earnings for the week ending 1st May 1897	...	...	...	...	...	16,049 0 0
Corresponding period of 1896	...	...	...	...	...	16,500 2 9
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	451 2 9
Receipts per mile for the week ending 1st May 1897	...	...	...	...	...	314 10 11
Corresponding period of 1896	...	...	...	...	...	323 8 3
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	8 13 4
Receipts from 1st January to 1st May 1897...	...	...	...	...	...	2,05,318 0 0
Corresponding period of 1896	...	...	...	...	...	2,50,721 0 0
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	45,403 0 0

WEATHER AND CROP REPORT.

For the week ending the 17th May 1897.

Burdwan.—Rainfall at Katwa 49, Raniganj 01. Weather hot. Ploughing going on. *Aus* is being sown. More rain wanted. Condition of cattle good. Fodder sufficient. Common rice selling as follows:—

	Srs.	c.	Srs.	c.	
Sadar	8 8 to 10 0	} per rupee.
Kalna	8 8 to 9 0	
Katwa	8 0 to 9 0	
Raniganj	8 8 to 9 0	

Birbhum.—Rainfall at Sadar 20, Rampur Hât 17. Weather very hot. Ploughing going on. Price of common rice at Sadar 8½ seers and Rampur Hât 9 seers per rupee. No want of fodder.

Bankura.—Rainfall at Sadar 05, Khatra 105, Maliara 07, Raipur 58. Weather generally fair and exceedingly hot. Rain urgently needed. Planting of sugarcane almost over. Fodder sufficient. Owing to rise in prices and prolonged drought relief-works are probably necessary in two thanas. Rice selling at 10 seers per rupee at Sadar, Vishnupur, and Taldangra, 8-seers at Gangajalghati and Saltora, 9 seers at Mejia, 8½ seers at Chatna, 9½ seers at Khatra and Joyrampur, and 9½ seers at Sonamukhi.

Midnapore.—No rain. Weather hot. More rain wanted in Contai and Tamluk. Prospect of indigo reported to be getting worse in Binpur for want of rain. *Boro* not doing well at Danton. Sowing of *aus* and *aman* still continues. Cattle-disease reported from Keshpur and Binpur. Common rice selling as follows:—

	Srs.	c.	
Sadar	10 0
Contai	10 to 12 0
Tamluk	9 10
Ghatal	10 to 11 0

Hooghly.—No rain. Sowing of *aus* and jute going on. Rice sells at 8 to 9 seers 3 chitaks per rupee.

Howrah.—Rainfall nil. Weather unusually hot. Sowing of jute and *aus* going on. Fodder sufficient. Want of water reported from thanas Bagnan and Amta, and from Mandalghât and Singti outposts in the Ulubaria subdivision. Common rice sells at 8½ to 10½ seers per rupee.

24-Parganas.—Rainfall at Sadar 09, Barasat 12, other stations nil. Weather very hot and cloudy. Prospects favourable. Sowing of *aus* and jute going on. Fodder sufficient. Water insufficient in places. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs.	
Sadar	...	8½ to 10
Barasat	...	8½
Basirhat	...	9½
Diamond Harbour	...	8½

Nadia.—Rainfall at Sadar nil, Kushtia 11, Meherpur 37, Chuadanga 19. Prospects of *aus* crop excellent. Water-supply improved. Fodder sufficient. Common rice sells from 7½ to 9 seers per rupee. Latest price of rice where test-works are open is 7½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	15,143
Dependents	3,071
Otherwise relieved	1,651
Test-workers	7,281
	4,728
	30,219
	17,446
	52,393
	312
	312
	80,269

Murshidabad.—Rainfall at Sadar 05, Kandi 35. Weather seasonable. Sowing of *shadoi*, *aman* and *aus* continues. Plantation of sugarcane finished. Cultivation of jute going on. Indigo and mulberry doing well. Rain much wanted. Fodder sufficient. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs.	
Sadar	...	8
Kandi	...	9
Jangipur	...	8½

Latest price of common rice, where relief and test-works are opened, is $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar and Kandi subdivisions—				
Relief-workers ...	1,823	66	452	2,341
Test-workers ...	1,100	33	139	1,272
Otherwise relieved ...	600	3,456	264	4,320
Total ...				7,933

Jessore.—Weather variable—hot and damp; cloudy and stormy. Rainfall at Jessore 1·71, Jhenida ·37, Magura ·45, Narail ·29, Bangaon ·11. This rain has done much good to the cultivation of paddy, indigo and jute, but more is still wanted. No cattle-disease reported. Fodder and water available. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs.	c.	
Jessore ...	8	8	} per rupee.
Jhenida ...	8	0	
Magura ...	8 to 9	0	
Narail ...	8 to 8	14	
Bangaon ...	10 to 11	0	

Khulna.—No rain. Weather hot and stormy. *Aus* cultivation proceeding. Rain wanted. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs.	c.	
Sadar ...	8 to 9	0	} per rupee.
Bagerhat ...	9	0	
Satkhira ...	9	0	

Relief wages calculated at 9 seers per rupee. Fodder available. Great scarcity of good water. No cattle-disease reported. Numbers on relief—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers ...	4,303	Nil	364	4,667
Relieved in poor-houses ...	25	30	71	126
Otherwise relieved ...	490	4,194	1,793	6,477
Total ...				11,270

Rajshahi.—Rainfall at Sadar ·34, Nator ·39, Naugaon ·02. Prospects of standing crops reported to be fair. Sowing of *aus* and *aman* paddy continues. Harvesting of *boro* paddy commenced in some places. Fodder and water available. Common rice sells at 7 to 9 seers per rupee. Price of rice at relief-works 8 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Test-workers ...	600	Nil	15	615

Dinajpur.—Average rainfall ·96. Weather hot. Sowing of *bhadoi* and jute nearly over. Fodder and water sufficient. Price of common rice 9 seers per rupee in all the stations except at Balughat, where it is $8\frac{3}{4}$ seers. No report of cattle-disease.

Jalpaiguri.—Rainfall at Sadar 3·74, Subdivision 4·56. Weather cloudy and hot. Rain doing considerable good. *Betri* paddy and jute plants look well and healthy. Sowing of *bhadoi* nearly finished. Average price of common rice 7 seers per rupee. No want of fodder or drinking-water.

Darjeeling.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·11, Kurseong ·65, Siliguri 2·01. Weather seasonable. Hills—*Bhutta*, *phaphur*, *shama*, *kangni*, *bhadoi dhan*, and *marua* progressing. Terai—Sowing of *bhadoi dhan* and jute going on; prospects good. Price of coarse rice—

	Srs.	
Hills ...	7	} per rupee.
Terai ...	10	

Bhutta sells at 16 seers per rupee.

Rangpur.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·54, district average 1·37. Weeding of *aus* and jute still going on. Sowing of *aman* in progress in places. Prospects good. Common rice sells at $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 seers per rupee. Fodder and water sufficient.

Bogra.—Average rainfall ·71. *Aus* and jute doing well. Fodder and water ample. Common rice sells at head-quarters $8\frac{1}{4}$ seers and in the interior from $6\frac{3}{4}$ to 9 seers per rupee.

Pabna.—Rainfall at Sadar ·06, Sirajganj ·34. Weather hot; now and then cloudy. Standing *aus* crop doing well. Fodder plentiful. Price of rice 7 to 8½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Test-workers	439	Nil	107	546

Dacca.—Rainfall only at Manikganj ·66. Weather excessively hot. Harvesting of *boro* nearly finished. Jute and *aus* plants thriving. Fodder available. Cattle-disease still prevailing in Munshiganj subdivision. Common rice sells at 7 to 9 seers per rupee.

Mymensingh.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·35, Netrokona 4·51, Tangail 1·83, Kishorganj 3·59, Jamalpur 5·05. Weather unsettled; occasional showers. *Aus* and jute doing well. Prospects good. Price of common rice 8 to 10 seers per rupee.

Faridpur.—Rainfall at Sadar nil, Goalundo ·40, Madaripur ·05. Weather hot and oppressive. Prospects good, but rain wanted. Fodder and water sufficient. Price of rice 7 to 9 seers per rupee.

Backergunge.—Rainfall nil. Weather hot. Prospects of crops fair. Common rice sells from 8 to 10 seers per rupee.

Tippera.—No rain. Weather dry and very hot. High wind blowing since yesterday (16th). Scarcity of water throughout the district. Common rice selling as follows—

	Srs.
Comilla	8
Brahmanbaria	8½
Chandpur	9

} per rupee.

Noakhali.—Rainfall at Sadar nil, Feni ·10. Sowing of *aus* continues. Lands are being prepared for *aman*. Rain urgently wanted. Prospects not good. No cattle-disease. Fodder not sufficient. Severe scarcity of water almost all over the district. Price of common rice 8 to 9 seers per rupee.

Chittagong.—Rainfall ·05. Weather very hot. *Rabi* crop is being harvested. Fields are under cultivation for *aus* crop. Prospects not good owing to want of rain. Many tanks are dry. Fodder sufficient. Rice selling at 10 seers per rupee.

Patna.—Rainfall at Sadar ·19, Barh ·25, Bihar ·03, Hilsa ·20, Dinapore ·22. A dust-storm on night of 13th followed by a little rain temporarily cooled the atmosphere. Standing crops doing well. *Marua* seedlings being raised. Cattle-disease in Patna city; it has also appeared in Bihar. Fodder sufficient, but not green fodder. Water becoming scarce. Price of rice in Patna 8½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relieved in poor-houses	61	46	15	122
Otherwise relieved	13	1	Nil	14
Total				136

Gaya.—No rain. Sugarcane doing well. Price of Burma rice 8 seers 14 chitaks and country rice 7 seers 12 chitaks per rupee.

Shahabad.—No rain. Harvesting of *china* in progress. Sugarcane doing well. Fodder and water for cattle sufficient, except at Bhabua. Price of common rice 8 to 8½ seers per rupee. Latest price of rice 8 seers and of pea 10½ seers per rupee fixes the relief wages. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Bhabua—				
Relief-workers	2,738	3,171	1,809	7,718
Dependents	Nil	Nil	1,817	1,817
Relieved in poor-houses and kitchens	270	92	101	463
Otherwise relieved	3,932	10,089	6,522	20,543
Sasaram—				
Relief-workers	17	13	14	44
Relieved in poor-houses	35	13	7	55
Arrah—				
Relieved in poor-houses	30	12	7	49
Otherwise relieved	8	10	Nil	18
Dehri—				
Fed in kitchens	46	62	125	233
Buxar—				
Otherwise relieved	1	Nil	Nil	1
Total				30,941

Saran.—Rainfall on 13th, Chapra 29, Siwan 1·20, Gopalganj 34. Prospects of sugar-cane and *china* continue fair. Famine wage calculated on barley selling at 12 to 13 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	2,401	4,046	2,757	9,204
Dependents	Nil	Nil	438	438
Relieved in poor-houses	42	30	24	96
Otherwise relieved	3,331	14,486	5,224	23,041
Siwan subdivision—				
Relief-workers	551	1,407	1,041	2,999
Relieved in poor-houses	12	5	3	20
Otherwise relieved	1,142	4,192	1,508	6,842
Gopalganj subdivision—				
Relief-workers	2,212	3,319	3,413	8,944
Dependents	Nil	Nil	1,099	1,099
Otherwise relieved	3,901	11,659	9,791	25,351
Total				78,034
Private relief—				
Hatwa—				
Relief-workers	1,321	2,069	1,429	4,819
Dependents	Nil	Nil	916	916
Relieved in poor-houses	76	76	69	221
Otherwise relieved	43	89	68	200
Manjha—				
Relieved in poor-houses	4	6	10	20
Otherwise relieved	34	3	Nil	37
Total				6,213

Champan.—Rain on 13th—Motihari 29, Bettiah 72—has benefited *china* and sugar-cane and facilitated sowings of *bhadoi* rice. Fodder sufficient. Water for cattle scarce in places. Price of common rice at Bettiah has risen sharply to 7 seers 5 chitaks and Burma rice to 8½ seers. Little change at Motihari—common rice 8½ seers, Burma rice 9 seers, maize 9½ seers, wheat 9½ seers, barley 13½ seers, gram 11 seers, *rahar* 13½ seers. Numbers on relief—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	17,045	16,949	14,452	48,446
Dependents	32	37	4,126	4,195
Relieved in poor-houses	91	102	54	247
Otherwise relieved	7,753	19,716	16,019	43,488
Bettiah subdivision—				
Relief-workers	18,667	20,323	8,218	47,208
Dependents	56	102	4,915	5,073
Relieved in poor-houses	168	164	159	491
Otherwise relieved	5,591	12,064	7,350	25,005
Total				174,153

Muzaffarpur.—Rainfall 90. Prospects fair. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi*. Prices are—Burma rice 9 seers, country rice 7½ seers, wheat 9½ seers, makai 9½ seers, barley 12 seers, gram 10½ seers, *rahar* 13 seers. *Makai* and *rahar* fix the relief prices. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	10,923	3,508	7,963	22,394
Dependents	10	6	362	378
Relieved in poor-houses	31	13	5	49
Otherwise relieved	4,668	14,429	10,362	29,459
Hajipur subdivision—				
Relief-workers	4,327	6,273	2,146	12,746
Dependents	Nil	Nil	618	618
Relieved in poor-houses	11	8	3	22
Otherwise relieved	1,739	4,735	1,112	7,586

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sitamarhi subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	12,065	8,091	2,951	23,107
Dependents ...	69	197	2,414	2,710
Relieved in poor-houses ...	207	84	47	338
Otherwise relieved ...	5,635	12,725	11,119	29,479
		Total	...	128,886
Private relief—				
Darbhanga Raj—				
Relief-workers ...	1,949	701	221	2,871
Gratuitous relief ...	1,023	3,315	3,065	7,408
		Total	...	10,279

Darbhanga.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·56, Samastipur ·62, Madhubani ·63. Rain has done much good to *mung* and *dhan* and to the sowing of *bhadoi* crops. Common rice selling at Sadar 7½ seers per rupee. Price of *makai* 9 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	34,956	36,885	7,337	79,178
Dependents ...	655	Nil	6,048	6,703
Relieved in poor-houses ...	81	71	156	308
Otherwise relieved ...	6,648	17,757	8,250	32,655
Madhubani subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	22,428	18,138	4,721	45,287
Dependents ...	83	...	6,432	6,576
Relieved in poor-houses ...	76	25	24	125
Otherwise relieved ...	5,176	18,631	9,463	33,270
Samastipur subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	2,645	3,040	888	6,573
Relieved in poor-houses ...	13	10	2	25
Otherwise relieved ...	492	1,250	1,050	2,792
Test-workers ...	72	233	36	341
		Total	...	213,833
Private relief—				
Darbhanga Raj—				
Relief-workers ...	9,898	5,673	1,258	16,829
Gratuitous relief ...	2,807	7,772	7,934	18,513
		Total	...	35,342

Monghyr.—Rainfall at Sadar ·34, Begusarai ·75, Jamui nil. Weather hot. A hurricane passed on the night of 13th instant damaging trees and houses. *Bhadoi* sowings commenced in places. Sugarcane doing well. Ploughing of land for *bhadoi* retarded for want of rain. Sufficient fodder and water. Cattle-disease reported from both the subdivisions. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs.	c.	Srs.	c.
Monghyr ...	7	4 to	9	0
Begusarai ...	8	2 to	8	15
Jamui ...	...	...	8	0

(Burma rice) } per rupee.

Bhagalpur.—Rainfall at Sadar ·85, Madhipura ·83, Supaul 1·66. Weather hot. Easterly wind. Standing crops continue to be good. Water and fodder sufficient. Cattle-disease reported from parts of Banka, Supaul, and Sadar subdivisions. Retail prices—

	Srs.	c.
Common rice—		
Sadar ...	8	14
Banka ...	8	7
Supaul ...	8	8
Madhipura ...	8	0
Kurthi—		
Sadar ...	12	10
Banka ...	11	4
Supaul ...	12	8
Madhipura ...	13	0
Marua—		
Supaul ...	12	8
Madhipura ...	13	0

} per rupee.

Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Madhipura subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 8,419	7,804	2,059	18,282
Dependents	... 14	33	870	917
Otherwise relieved	... 381	1,040	342	1,763
Supaul subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 541	1,551	194	2,286
Dependents	... Nil	2	335	337
Otherwise relieved	... 213	602	159	974
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 138	Nil	Nil	138
Banka subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 153	Nil	Nil	153
Total			...	<u>24,850</u>

In addition to the above, 12,000 persons were relieved from charitable funds in the whole district, but this figure is approximate.

Purnea.—Rainfall at Sadar 78, Kishanganj 95, Araria 97. Sowing of *bhadji* paddy, jute and winter rice going on briskly. Agricultural prospects favourable. Cattle-disease decreasing. Fodder and water sufficient. Price of common rice—

Sadar	...	...	...	Srs. 7½
Kishanganj	...	...	...	8
Araria	...	...	...	8
				} per rupee.

Malda.—Rainfall at Sadar 97, Chanchal 4, Shibganj 67. Prospects good. Coarse rice selling at 12½ seers per rupee. Fodder sufficient.

Sonthal Parganas.—Average rainfall 16. Weather much hotter. Occasional dust-storms. Sugarcane doing well. Ploughing going on. *Mahua* berry promising. District prices—rice 7½ to 9 seers, maize 9½ to 12 seers. Jamtara prices—rice 7½ to 8 seers. Fodder and water sufficient except at Deoghur and Damka. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

Jamtara—	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers ...	... 1,226	1,033	906	3,165
Dependents ...	... 9	18	117	144
Fed in kitchens	... 4	4	100	108
Otherwise relieved	... 139	221	93	453
Total			...	<u>3,870</u>

Private relief—

Workers	... 807	789	43	1,639
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Cuttack.—Rainfall at Banki 25. Ploughing going on. *Beali* and *sarad* being sown in low lands. *Beali* germinating. Cattle-disease reported from places. Common rice sells as follows:—

Cuttack	...	...	...	Srs. c. 11 8
Jajpur	...	...	...	14 7
Kendrapara	...	...	...	11 13
Banki	...	...	...	14 13
				} per rupee.

Balasore.—Rainfall 88 at Sadar. Weather hot. *Beali* seedlings and sugarcane growing well. Cotton flowering and is being gathered in places. Price of rice varies from 12 to 14 seers per rupee in the interior. Rice sells at 11 and 12 seers per rupee at Balasore and Bhadrak respectively. Fodder and water sufficient.

Angul.—No rain. Cattle-disease abating. Coarse rice sells at 16 seers in Angul and 13 seers 10 chitaks in Khondmals.

Puri.—Rainfall nil. *Dalua* paddy being harvested. *Sarad* paddy land being tilled and manured, and in places sowing of *beali* and *sarad* commenced. Famine wages calculated at 10 to 12 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	... 12,150	129	748	3,027
Dependents	... 16	30	161	207
Test-workers	... 87	7	4	98
Total			...	<u>3,332</u>

Hazaribagh.—Rainfall at Sadar nil, Giridih .88. Weather hot and dry. No change since last week. Prices are—rice 6 to 7½ seers, *makai* 8 to 11 seers, *marua* 9 to 14 seers, *mahua* 20 to 40 seers. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 15th May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Test-workers	898	571	458	1,927
Fed in kitchens	402	530	1,374	2,306
Otherwise relieved	116	848	Nil	964
Giridih subdivision—				
Test-workers	758	212	203	1,173
Otherwise relieved	78	81	58	217
		Total	...	6,587
Private relief—				
Workers	157	100	54	311

Lohardaga.—Rainfall .09. Ploughing and sowing of paddy continued. Rice sells at Ranchi 8 seers and in the interior from 6½ to 10 seers per rupee. No report of cattle-disease. Fodder and water sufficient. Grain in stock sufficient for the present.

Palamau.—Rainfall nil. Weather intensely hot. Sugarcane, *tewa* paddy, *rahar* and *gondli* doing well. Prices still rising. Six markets against 5 in last week selling rice at over 5 seers, but below 6 seers per rupee; 12 markets against 12 at 6 seers; 32 markets against 24 at above 6 seers, but below 7 seers; 4 markets against 13 at 7 seers; 34 markets against 28 at over 7 seers, but below 8 seers; 2 against 5 at 8 seers. Wheat sold at 8 seers 10 chitaks, against 8 seers 11 chitaks; barley 11 seers 9 chitaks, against 11 seers 5 chitaks; gram 10 seers 4 chitaks against 10 seers 10 chitaks; *mahua* 26 seers 13 chitaks against 27 seers. 357 maunds country rice and 605 maunds Burma rice imported under bounty system. Cattle-disease prevalent throughout the district. Fodder and water reported to be insufficient in Latehar thana and Manatoo outpost.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	1,420	1,017	377	2,814
Otherwise relieved	556	1,204	335	2,095
		Total	...	4,909

Manbhum.—Rainfall nil. Weather very hot. Sugarcane being cut. Cattle-disease reported from Purulia, Raghunathpur, and Baghmundi thanas. Scarcity of water reported from Gobindpur, Chandil, Chas, Raghunathpur, Paru, and Gourangdi. Average price of common rice 7½ to 8 seers per rupee. Supply as yet sufficient.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Gratuitous relief	1,431	3,458	2,580	7,469
Test-workers	2,517	1,659	279	4,455
		Total	...	11,924

Singhbhum.—Rainfall .50 at Chaibasa, .30 at Ghatsilla. Rice plentiful. Price of rice from 7 to 11½ seers per rupee.

General Summary.—There were scattered showers of rain in the majority of the districts during the week, the falls being heavy in some of the northern districts and in Mymensingh. The general agricultural prospects continue favourable, but more rain is required in many districts. Autumn rice and jute are still being sown, and the sowing of winter rice and *bhadoi* crops has begun in some districts. Sugarcane, *china* and indigo are doing well. The harvesting of spring rice is still going on. The water-supply is reported to have improved in some districts, but in parts of the Chittagong and Chota Nagpur Divisions it is still very deficient. The price of common rice shows a further rise in some districts. In the distressed districts the prices of the staple food-grain on which the famine wage is based are—Nadia (common rice) 7½ seers, Murshidabad (common rice) 8½ seers, Khulna (common rice) 9 seers Rajshahi (rice) 8 seers, Pabna (rice) 7 to 8½ seers, Shahabad (rice) 8 seers and (pea) 10½ seers, Saran (barley) 12 to 13 seers, Champaran (rice) 8½ seers and (maize) 9½ seers, Muzaffarpur (*makai*) 9½ seers and (*rahar*) 13 seers, Darbhanga (rice) 7½ seers and (*makai*) 9 seers, Bhagalpur (common rice) 8 and 8½ seers and

(*marua*) 12½ and 13 seers, Sonthal Parganas (rice at Jamtara) 7½ to 8 seers, Puri (common rice) 10 to 12 seers, Hazaribagh (rice) 6 to 7½ seers, Manbhum (common rice) 7½ to 8 seers.

Numbers on relief:—

	Week under report.	Preceding week.
Nadia	... 80,269	41,092
Murshidabad	... 7,933	5,182
Khulna	... 11,270	11,247
Rajshahi	... 615	655
Pabna	... 546	442
Patna	... 136	126
Shahabad	... 30,941	31,107
Saran	... 78,034	76,945
Champaran	... 174,153	148,396
Muzaffarpur	... 128,883	114,876
Darbhangha	... 213,833	233,790
Bhagalpur	... 24,850	25,624
Sonthal Parganas	... 3,870	2,643
Puri	... 3,332	3,963
Hazaribagh	... 6,587	4,547
Palamau	... 4,909	5,077
Manbhum	... 11,924	10,424
Total	... 782,088	716,136

The total for the week under report is distributed as follows:—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	... 166,291	139,834	64,461	370,586
Dependents	... 1,255	562	37,094	38,911
Relieved in poor-houses	... 1,153	705	678	2,536
Otherwise relieved	... 59,214	187,638	112,439	359,316
Test-workers	... 6,783	2,715	1,241	10,739

Private relief—

Relief-works—

Darbhangha Raj (in Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur)	11,847	6,374	1,479	19,700
Hatwa	1,321	2,069	1,429	4,819
Sonthal Parganas	807	789	43	1,639
Giridih	157	100	54	311

Gratuitous relief—

Darbhangha Raj (in Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur)	3,835	11,087	10,999	25,921
Saran { Hatwa	119	165	1,053	1,337
{ Manjha	38	9	10	57
Total				53,784

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

M. FINUCANE,

The 19th May 1897.

Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

Dinajpur 1-4-97.	.....	Below the average, 10 annas all round	Plentiful. Supply is amply sufficient to meet the demand for export and local consumption in an ordinary year, but owing to the scarcity in other districts, the exports have been heavier than usual, and probably before the next harvest is reaped will have fallen low.	Higher than usual	.....	The Collector's remark in column 4 apparently refers to the total supply, including old and new stocks.
Jalpaiguri 6-4-97.	.....	Much below the average	Not plentiful	Much higher than usual	.....
Darjeeling 13-4-97.	.....	Below the average, 8 annas against 12 annas in the previous year.	Ditto	Higher than usual, owing chiefly to the demand in the plains. The price of coarse rice rose from 12 to 9 seers per rupee.	There is no export of wheat crop from this district. Only a small area is sown under the crop, and the produce is used for local consumption only.	
Bangpur 6-4-97.	.....	Much below the average, owing to deficient or unseasonable rainfall during the year.	Not plentiful. In this district people do not keep large stocks. Tobacco, jute and ginger are largely cultivated, and people rely upon the proceeds for support in preference to laying by a store of food-grains.	Much higher than usual. The purchasing power of the people is comparatively higher than in less forward districts; so those who happen to have laid in a stock of grain can stand out for high prices with a certainty of getting them. There is no dearth of money, but in fact the supply of grain is hardly equal to the demand.	Wheat is grown in very small quantity and is not exported. Most cultivators have a small patch for their own consumption. They do not reduce it to flour but cook it like rice.	The Collector says wheat is grown in very small quantity in the district. The wheat forecast shows, however, that nearly 40,000 acres, is normally cultivated with wheat in Rangpur.
Bogra 7-4-97.	.....	The outturn of the <i>aus</i> crop was 12 annas against 10 annas in the previous year, and that of the <i>aman</i> crop 12 annas both in 1896-97 and in the year before. Of the <i>rahi</i> crops, the outturn of the pulses was also 12 annas in both the years. On the whole the outturn of the winter rice, which is the staple food-crop of the district, was at first expected to be a bumper crop, but, in consequence of scanty rains in August and continued drought from October, the expectation could not be realized, and though there was a 12-anna crop all round, the produce of the year's supply of the food-grains was above the ordinary requirements of the people. The prices, however, were much higher, owing to large exportations to other districts for failure of crops all over the province.	Plentiful, there being small demand for exportation in 1896-97.	Much higher than usual. The prices of rice, wheat and gram in 1896-97 as compared with the averages of the preceding five years were as follows:—Best rice, 8 seers 3 chittaks against 10 seers 6 chittaks; common rice 11 seers 1 chittak against 14 seers 2 chittaks; wheat 10 seers 3 chittaks against 12 seers 11 chittaks; and grain 13 seers 10 chittaks against 13 seers 10 chittaks per rupee.	.....

DISTRICT WITH DATE AND REPORT.	Cause of extension of wheat cultivation in recent years.	Whether the produce of the year's supply of food-grains has been much above or below the average.	Whether the food-stocks of former harvests are plentiful or not.	Whether prices of food-grains generally have ruled higher or lower than usual.	What have been the causes which have caused an increase or decrease of exports of wheat, and how far has the movement been influenced by a scarcity or otherwise of food-grains.	Remarks by the Agricultural Department.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pabna 8-2-97.	Below the average, owing to want of sufficient and seasonable rainfall during the year.	Not plentiful	Higher than usual	Very little wheat is grown in this district. It is not ex- ported even in an ordinary year, and there was much less chance of export of this article during the year under report on account of the poor return of this as well as of all other crops which con- stitute the food-grains of this district. The local demand is supplied by importation from Calcutta, Bogra and the north-western districts. There has been no notice- able decrease in its import during the year, but only the price of it was abnor- mally high.	
Dacca ... 6-4-97. Mymensingh 20-3-97.	Much below the average Below the average	Not plentiful Ditto	Higher than usual Ditto	There were no exports of wheat from this district during the year under report.	
Faridpur 9-4-97.	Much below the average	Not plentiful, but rather insufficient...	Ditto	There is no cultivation of wheat in this district except in Goalundo. The Subdivi- sional Officer reports that the outturn of wheat was not more than 6 annas, and as it is not used as staple food, its exportation has not been influenced by scarcity.	
Backergunge... 1-4-97.	Eleven annas	In this district people store very little from previous harvests. What is now in stock is almost a negligible quantity.	Ditto	.....
Tippura 9-4-97. Noakali 1-4-97.	Much below the average Ditto ditto	Not plentiful Ditto	Ditto Much higher than usual	..... .....

Chittagong Patna Gaya 8-4-97.	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	Not plentiful, but sufficient ...	..... ..... .....	Much higher than usual, the result of the poor crops and the scarcity in other parts of the country.	In 1895-96 there was a balance of imports over exports of wheat of a little over 3,000 maunds. In 1896-97 the balance has been in favour of exports to about 3,000 maunds. The cause of the change is the demand on account of scarcity in the North-Western Provinces.	Not received. Ditto.
Shahabad 8-4-97.	.....	.....	.....	Not plentiful. Importation of grain is being now made, especially into the Bhambua subdivision.	.....	Much higher than usual. The prices now stand at famine rates.	There was an enormous increase in the export of wheat during the year 1896-97, as compared with that of the preceding year (77,119 maunds in 1896-97, against 3,607 maunds in 1895-96). This is due to the fact that wheat has been a fair crop this year, and in some lands especially it has been a good one, and partly to the very high prices of wheat in the North-Western Provinces and elsewhere.	Not received.
Saran 22-4-97.	.....	.....	.....	Not plentiful. The produce of the district is not sufficient to provide for its inhabitants. The district depends a good deal upon imports from other districts.	.....	Higher than usual	The export of wheat from this district during 1896-97 was 5,470 maunds against 607 maunds in the previous year. The scarcity and famine prevailing in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh has been the cause of large exports from the district, not only of wheat, but also of other food-grains.	Not received.
Champaran	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muzaffarpur... 8-4-97.	.....	.....	.....	The food-stock shows no sign of depletion, and with the help of <i>rabi</i> just coming in, will, it is hoped, hold out for at least another two to three months.	.....	Very high. Will continue to be so until next crops are harvested.	As usual, there is little or no export of wheat from this district. It is always imported from other places.	.....

DISTRICT WITH DATE OF REPORT.	Cause of extension of wheat cultivation in recent years.	Whether the produce of the year's supply of food-grains has been much above or below the average.	Whether the food-stocks of former harvests are plentiful or not.	Whether prices of food-grains generally have ruled higher or lower than usual.	What have been the causes which have caused an increase or decrease of exports of wheat, and how far has the movement been influenced by a scarcity or otherwise of food-grains.	Remarks by the Agriculture Department.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Darbhanga 7-4-97.	Much below the average. During the year the <i>bhados</i> yielded 9 annas for the whole district, varying from 4 annas in Madhubani to 12 annas in the Sadar and Samastipur, and that of the winter rice was only some 4½ annas in the Sadar and Madhubani and 6 annas in the Samastipur subdivision. The average outturn of <i>rahi</i> has been estimated at about 8 annas in Madhubani, 12 annas in Darbhanga and 16 annas in Samastipur. The rainfall of January and February had a wonderful effect in improving the barley and wheat crops, while at the same time it was too light to do any harm to the <i>rahar</i> and mustard. Winter rice below the average owing to insufficient rainfall. <i>Bhados</i> was also below the average, but <i>rahi</i> has been an average crop.	It is believed that the food-stocks from previous harvests equalled about three months' supply or perhaps a little more.	The prices were normal up to the end of August, but since then they have risen very high.	The cultivation of wheat is not largely carried on in this district, and the produce is generally consumed locally. Export is not carried on to any appreciable extent.	
Monghyr 8-4-97.	Winter rice below the average owing to insufficient rainfall. <i>Bhados</i> was also below the average, but <i>rahi</i> has been an average crop.	The food-stocks of former harvests are probably almost entirely exhausted, the prevailing high prices obtainable having had the effect of increasing sales for exports. The fact that but little is being exported at present prices shows that stocks are abnormally low.	A great deal higher than usual since July last.	There has been a decrease in the export of wheat this year, as the produce of the wheat crop was less than usual. This diminution in exports was independent of the scarcity of food-grain.	
Bhagalpur 19-4-97.	Much below the average on account of insufficient rainfall.	Not plentiful. They have probably been all consumed or exported from the district.	Much higher than usual. They have approached to famine prices.	There is no extensive cultivation of wheat in the district. The produce is, perhaps, just enough for district consumption. The export of wheat during the year has been less than that in the preceding year, owing to the fact that the <i>rahi</i> harvest of 1896-97 was very much less than that of 1895-96. There had, however, been an enormous export of wheat in 1896-97, owing to a shorter production of wheat in 1896-97.	The Collector's statement to the effect that there is no extensive cultivation of wheat in Bhagalpur, and that the local production is just enough for local consumption, is not consistent with his estimate of wheat cultivation, according to which about 200,000 acres are normally cultivated with wheat in the dis-

Purnea 7-4-97.	...	Much below the average. Less than half of that of the preceding years.	The food-stocks of former harvests yet exist, but are not believed to be plentiful.	Much higher than usual	...	This has aggravated the scarcity felt in this district, and necessitated the opening of relief works.
Madda 2-4-97.	.....	Much below the average	Not plentiful	Higher than usual	...	The export of wheat greatly decreased as compared with that of the preceding year, owing to short outturn during the year.
Southal gannar. 20-4-97.	.....	Much below the average	Not plentiful	Higher	...	During the year under report, the export of wheat was less than in previous year, owing to the produce being considerably below the average.
Outlack 7-4-97.	.....	Much below the average. Stocks were plentiful at the beginning of the year, as would be apparent from the fact that common rice, which is the staple food of the district, sold at the average price of 29 seers 94 chittaks per rupee in March 1896 and 30 seers 14 chittaks in April 1896. These were speedily reduced by exports, as prices ruled high in other parts of India and in Mauritius. It cannot be said that stocks have been very seriously depleted, but in many parts of the district stocks are much smaller than usual, and it is believed the tendency is, with improved communication and greater trade facilities, for smaller stocks to be held than formerly even in conservative Orissa.	.....	Higher than usual	...	The Subdivisional Officer of Godda reports that the exportation of wheat has been increased, and high prices have been paid owing to heavy demand in Bihar and North-Western Provinces on account of famine. The Subdivisional Officer, Rajmahal, reports that there has been a decrease of exports of wheat owing to the outturn being small. The Subdivisional Officer of Pakour reports that the exports of wheat are normal.
Balasore 8-4-97.	.....	Much below the average	Not plentiful	High during the second half of the year.	...	A limited quantity of wheat is grown in this district. Never exported. The demand for consumption is met by imports from other places.

trict, and with the fact that in 1895-96 as much as 173,207 maunds of wheat were exported from the district to Calcutta.

DISTRICT WITH DATE OF REPORT.	Cause of extension of wheat cultivation in recent years.	Whether the produce of the year's supply of food-grains has been much above or below the average.	Whether the food-stocks of former harvests are plentiful or not.	Whether prices of food-grains generally have ruled higher or lower than usual.	What have been the causes which have caused an increase or decrease of exports of wheat, and how far has the movement been influenced by a scarcity or otherwise of food-grains.	Remarks by the Agricultural Department.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Angul and Khondmals. 30-4-97.	Below the average. More than sufficient for the population until September 1897.	.....	Much higher than heretofore. Will probably rise still further. The Deputy Com- missioner thinks that the price of common rice, which is now selling at 18 Balasore seers per rupee will go up to 11 or 12 seers. Higher than usual.		
Puri 31-3-97.	Much below the average. About 10 annas on the whole.	Fairly abundant still	.....	
Hazaribagh 23-3-97.	Much below the average	Not plentiful	.....	
Lohardaga	Ditto	As a matter of fact, wheat is never exported from this district.	Not received.
Palamanu 5-4-97.	Ditto	The food stocks of former harvests are exhausted, or very nearly so.	Very high indeed	No wheat is exported from this district. Comparatively little is grown here.	Not received.
Manbhum	
Singhbhum 19-3-97.	Below the average. Nine annas	Normal	50 per cent. higher than usual	Wheat is not exported from the district.	

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M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Statement showing the Stocks of Rice in and around Calcutta during May 1897.

NAMES OF MARKS.	Stock in hand as compiled on—				
	1st week of Apl. 1897. Mds.	2nd week of Apl. 1897. Mds.	3rd week of Apl. 1897. Mds.	4th week of Apl. 1897. Mds.	1st week of May 1897. Mds.
Baliaghata	6,63,000	4,53,000	3,98,000	3,90,000	3,83,000
Ultadanga	61,500	28,200	29,500	27,500	27,900
Chitpur, Golabari, Hathhola, and Culpai Ghat...	6,33,000	1,77,500	1,63,300	1,59,300	1,59,900
Pathuriaghata, Posta, and Jorabagan	3,000	2,600	2,200	2,100	1,800
Tollygunge, Chetla, Kidderpore, and Munshiganj	2,28,000	1,17,500	1,06,200	1,04,300	83,100
Minor bazars (1)	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000
Other retail shops (1)	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000
Ramkrishnapur	.....	81,100	64,500	70,300	71,700
Baidyabati, Nawabganj, Bhadres- war, and Chandernagore†	1,836	13,050	10,603	4,925	8,075
Total	20,80,936	13,62,950	12,64,303	12,48,425	12,37,675
On Railway premises on both sides of the river‡	8,650 (on 3rd May 1896).	1,31,533 (on 4th Apl. 1897).	79,736 (on 17th Apl. 1897).	23,222 (on 24th Apl. 1897.)	1,17,648 (on 1st May 1897.)
On boats not yet unloaded— By Port Commissioners' returns	16,438 (on 3rd May 1896).	24,378 (3rd to 5th Apl. 1897).	22,818 (17th to 19th Apl. 1897).	35,371 (24th to 26th Apl. 1897.)	29,553 (1st to 3rd May 1897.)
By Canal returns	7,282 (1st to 3rd May 1896).	15,917 (3rd to 5th Apl. 1897).	6,769 (17th to 19th Apl. 1897).	16,525 (24th to 26th Apl. 1897.)	11,128 (1st to 3rd May 1897.)
Grand Total of Stocks	21,13,306	15,34,778	13,73,626	13,23,543	13,79,904
					13,25,890
					13,76,147

• This mart is in the Howrah district, and the figures have been obtained by local enquiry.

† Figures furnished by the Collector of Hooghly.

‡ Ditto by the Railway authorities.

(1) Estimated as a constant quantity.

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 18th May 1897.

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STATISTICS OF THE SEA-BORNE TRAFFIC OF CALCUTTA IN FOOD-GRAINS.

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Memorandum.

The sea-borne import and export traffic of Calcutta in food-grains during the week ending the 7th May 1896, and the corresponding period of 1897, is shown in the following statement:—

	1ST TO 7TH MAY			
	1896.		1897.	
1	2	3	4	5
	Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
<i>Imports.</i>				
From Foreign Ports ...	15	20	1	1
„ Indian „ ...	35,543	48,378	301,739	4,10,700
— Total ...	35,558	48,398	301,740	4,10,701
<i>Exports.</i>				
To Foreign Ports ...	109,938	1,49,638	66,977	91,163
„ Indian „ ...	54,292	73,897	22,611	30,776
Total ...	164,230	2,23,535	89,588	1,21,939

Imports.—The different staples comprising the import traffic are shown in the table below, and the figures for the week are compared with those for the corresponding period of last year:—

	1ST TO 7TH MAY			
	1896.		1897.	
1	2	3	4	5
	Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
<i>Food-grains.</i>				
Rice ...	22,367	30,444	228,781	3,11,396
Paddy ...	9,906	13,483	64,498	87,789
Wheat ...	46	62	.....	.....
Gram and pulses ...	3,239	4,409	8,461	11,516
Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	35,558	48,398	301,740	4,10,701

Imports.—The quantity of rice imported was ten times greater than that received in 1896, viz., 228,781 cwts. against 22,367 cwts. Of the former quantity, 224,657 cwts. came from Burma, and 4,109 cwts. from Balasore. Owing chiefly to the import of 62,794 cwts. of paddy from Burma, the figures under that head rose from 9,906 cwts. to 64,498 cwts. The chief fluctuations in the trade in gram and pulse were an increase of 5,326 cwts. in the supplies from Coconada and of 2,451 cwts. from Rangoon, against a decrease of 2,795 cwts. from Chandbali.

Exports.—In the following statement the total quantity of each kind of food-grain exported by sea during the week ending 7th May 1897 is compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896 :—

1	1ST TO 7TH MAY.			
	1896.		1897.	
	2	3	4	5
<i>Food-grains.</i>	Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
Rice	103,167	1,40,422	70,054	95,351
Paddy	1,281	1,744	23	31
Wheat	11,463	15,602	1,429	1,945
Gram and pulses	46,532	63,335	16,848	22,932
Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	1,787	2,432	1,234	1,680
Total ...	164,230	2,23,535	89,588	1,21,939

There was a fall of only 18·45 per cent. in the exports of rice to foreign ports, viz., from 78,275 cwts. to 63,830 cwts. The chief variations were a decrease of 27,007 cwts. in the despatches to Ceylon and of 16,365 cwts. and 8,956 cwts. to Réunion and Natal respectively, to which two ports nothing was sent in the week under review. On the other hand, there was an increase of 19,019 cwts. in the shipments to muscat, and of 10,460 cwts. to Aden which received nothing in 1896. Owing to the cessation of exports of wheat to the United Kingdom, the trade under that head fell from 11,201 cwts. to only 25 cwts. in the week under review. The decline of 16,068 cwts. in the exports of gram and pulse was almost entirely due to the quantity sent to the United Kingdom having diminished by 3,695 cwts. and to Réunion and Mauritius having taken nothing against 7,301 cwts. and 4,305 cwts. respectively in 1896.

The fall off of 18,668 cwts. in the exports of rice to Indian ports, viz., from 24,892 cwts. to 6,224 cwts., was due to a decrease of 9,484 cwts. in the shipments to Bombay and of 9,244 cwts. to the Madras ports. The trade in gram and pulse was half that of 1896, viz. 14,633 cwts. against 28,251 cwts., the decline being chiefly due to the exports to Bombay having diminished by 12,855 cwts.

Detailed statements showing the sources of supply and the places of destination, both as regards Foreign and Indian ports, are given below :—

Statement No. I, showing the Imports of Food-grains into Calcutta from Foreign and Indian Ports during the week ending 7th May 1896 and 1897.

PORTS.		Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>From Indian Ports.</i>		Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Madras	Coconada	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 900	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 444 1897 5,770	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 444 1897 6,670
	Gopalpur	{ 1896 ... 1897 15	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 227	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 242
	Tellicherry	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 12	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 12
	Rangoon	{ 1896 ... 1897 178,769	{ 1896 ... 1897 50,357	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 2,451	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 5 1897 231,577
	Moulmein	{ 1896 ... 1897 36,450	{ 1896 ... 1897 3,893	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 40,343
	Akyab	{ 1896 ... 1897 9,438	{ 1896 ... 1897 8,544	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 17,982
Balasore	Balasore	{ 1896 ... 1897 4,109	{ 1896 ... 1897 804	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 4,913
	Chandbali	{ 1896 ... 1897 22,347	{ 1896 ... 1897 9,908	{ 1896 ... 1897 46	{ 1896 ... 1897 2,795	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 35,096
	Total Indian Ports	{ 1896 ... 1897 228,781	{ 1896 22,352 1897 64,498	{ 1896 46 1897 ...	{ 1896 3,239 1897 8,460	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 35,543 1897 301,739
<i>From Foreign Ports.</i>							
China—Hongkong	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 12 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 12 1897 ...
Straits Settlements	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 3 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 1	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 3 1897 1
Total Foreign Ports	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 15 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 ... 1897 1	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 15 1897 1
GRAND TOTAL OF FOREIGN AND INDIAN PORTS		{ 1896 ... 1897 228,781	{ 1896 22,367 1897 64,498	{ 1896 46 1897 ...	{ 1896 3,239 1897 8,461	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 1896 35,568 1897 301,740

Statement No. II, showing the Exports of Food-grains from Calcutta to Foreign and Indian Ports during the week ending 7th May 1896 and 1897.

PORTS.			Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total.	
1			2	3	4	5	6	7	
To Foreign Ports.			Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	
United Kingdom	...	{ 1896	2,843	.....	11,054	4,826	.....	18,723
		{ 1897	6,275	.....	.....	1,131	.....	7,406
Byssinia	...	{ 1896	1,614	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,614
		{ 1897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Western Coast of Africa.	Zanzibar	{ 1896	509	.....	.....	.....	.....	509
		{ 1897	499	.....	.....	.....	.....	499
	Other Ports	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		{ 1897	.....	.....	.....	660	.....	660
Mauritius	...	{ 1896	11,730	.....	147	4,305	1,365	17,547
		{ 1897	13,133	.....	.....	.....	880	14,013
Seychelles	...	{ 1896	8,956	.....	.....	183	55	9,194
		{ 1897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seychelles	...	{ 1896	16,365	.....	.....	7,301	.....	23,666
		{ 1897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Indies—Barbadoes	...	{ 1896	518	.....	.....	.....	.....	518
		{ 1897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seychelles	...	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		{ 1897	10,460	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,460
Seychelles—Maskat	...	{ 1896	3,195	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,195
		{ 1897	22,214	.....	.....	.....	.....	22,214
Seychelles	...	{ 1896	32,545	.....	.....	1,192	.....	33,737
		{ 1897	5,538	.....	.....	333	27	5,898
Seychelles—Hongkong	...	{ 1896	.....	761	.....	.....	.....	761
		{ 1897	29	.....	22	20	.....	71
Seychelles	...	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		{ 1897	4,675	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,675
Seychelles Settlements	...	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	474	.....	474
		{ 1897	.....	.....	3	51	.....	54
Seychelles in Asia—Bussorah	...	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		{ 1897	807	.....	.....	.....	.....	807
Seychelles Islands	...	{ 1896	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		{ 1897	200	.....	.....	20	.....	220
Total Foreign Ports			{ 1896	78,275	761	11,201	18,281	1,420	109,938
			{ 1897	63,830	25	2,215	907	66,977

Ports.				Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total	
1				2	3	4	5	6	7	
To Indian Ports.				Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	
Bombay	...	...	{ 1896 ...	15,164	22	...	20,052	...	35,238
	...	...	{ 1897 ...	5,680	22	...	7,197	107	13,006
	{ Madras	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	...	5,038	220	5,258
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	4,198	220	4,418
	{ Badagara	...	{ 1896 ...	496	...	...	...	...	496
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Calicut	...	{ 1896 ...	2,269	...	...	574	...	2,843
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Cannanore	...	{ 1896 ...	994	...	...	...	...	994
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	{ Cocanada	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	110	...	...	...
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Cochin	...	{ 1896 ...	...	498	...	...	...	498
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Nagapatam	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	...	367	...	367
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Tellicherry	...	{ 1896 ...	5,486	...	...	...	...	5,486
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Vizagapatam	...	{ 1896 ...	1	...	...	31	...	32
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ Rangoon	...	{ 1896 ...	465	...	247	1,575	147	2,434	
			{ 1897 ...	533	...	1,234	2,799	...	4,566	
	{ Akyab	...	{ 1896 ...	17	...	...	140	...	157
			{ 1897 ...	1	...	...	68	...	69
Burma	{ Kyouk Pyoo	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	...	1	...	1
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	6	...	6
	{ Moulmein	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	15	347	...	362
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	15	...	15
Chittagong	...	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	...	4	...	4
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	215	...	215
	{ Balasore	...	{ 1896 ...	...	...	...	50	...	50
			{ 1897 ...	...	...	...	50	...	50
Balasore	{ Chandbali	...	{ 1896 ...	1	...	...	103	...	104
			{ 1897 ...	9	1	60	59	...	129	
Total Indian Ports				{ 1896 ...	24,892	520	262	25,251	367	
				{ 1897 ...	6,224	23	1,404	14,633	327	
GRAND TOTAL OF FOREIGN AND INDIAN PORTS.				{ 1896 ...	103,167	1,281	11,463	46,532	1,787	164,200
				{ 1897 ...	70,054	23	1,429	16,848	1,234	88,358

EXPORTS OF FOOD-GRAINS BY THE EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

No. 1163 Statistics.—The following statement shows the quantity of rice and other food-grains exported by the East Indian Railway from Calcutta and Howrah during the period from 1st January to 8th May 1897, both days inclusive, to have been 7,59,571 maunds. The destination of 45,67,968 maunds is specified. A little less than half of this quantity (21,36,458) was carried to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, about one-third (15,48,484 maunds) to stations in Bengal, and the rest (8,83,026 maunds) to other provinces. In the last week of the period 57,647 maunds were exported to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and 1,72,526 maunds to Bihar.

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Statement showing the quantities of rice and other food-grains exported from Howrah and Calcutta (Chitpur, Kidderpur Docks, and Port Trust Railway) by the East Indian Railway from 1st January to 8th May 1897.

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNEE.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BENGAL.						
<i>Hooghly.</i>						
Tarakeswar ...	Mds. 243	Mds. ...	Mds. ...	Mds. 990	Mds. 247	Mds. ...
Chandernagore ...	6	...	...	...	...	...
Dasghora ...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Pandua ...	4	...	...	10	...	...
Bainchi ...	17	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	272	...	...	1,000	247	...
<i>Burdwan.</i>						
Memari ...	58	...	...	...	...	...
Rasulpur ...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	95	62	104	370	110	353
Raniganj ...	1,460	940	1,270	1,428	2,099	858
Sitarampur ...	10	...	...	...	...	...
Ghuskara ...	103	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,730	1,002	1,374	1,798	2,209	1,211
<i>Birbhum.</i>						
Murari ...	...	...	378	...	...	...
Bolpur ...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Sainthia ...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Rampur Hat ...	...	...	...	...	158	150
Ahmadpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	200
Total ...	3	...	378	...	158	1,501
<i>Nadia.</i>						
Mirpur ...	...	...	380	977	372	...
Chuadanga ...	353	...	...	...	...	...
Kushtia ...	343	742	...	2,585	406	1,135
Alamdanga ...	...	888	...	914	...	1,401
Bhairamara ...	...	...	1,387	1,517	...	372
Damukdia ...	...	...	...	1,147	698	...
Bagula ...	...	...	...	...	1,054	...
Total ...	696	1,630	1,767	7,140	2,530	2,908
<i>Jessore.</i>						
Jessore ...	...	...	...	...	...	371
<i>Murshidabad.</i>						
Azimganj ...	157	154	415	2,006	2,279	383
Jiaganj ...	...	...	...	374	376	...
Total ...	157	154	445	2,380	2,655	383
<i>Rajshahi.</i>						
Maihar ...	...	...	...	...	376	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	376	...
<i>Dinajpur.</i>						
Dinajpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	373
<i>Rangpur.</i>						
Saidpur ...	...	...	...	...	384	383
Kurigram ...	...	...	109	...	...	...
Lalmonir Hat ...	55	...	...	...	...	...
Domer ...	...	...	...	383	302	...
Kaunia ...	...	...	...	...	373	...
Kaliganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	383
Total ...	55	...	109	383	1,059	766
Cooch Behar ...	755	377	1,498	9,549	2,999	3,368

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 19, 1897. 1875

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	8
BENGAL—concd.						
<i>Jalpaiguri.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Haldibari ...	...	...	176	1,046	471	551
Jalpaiguri ...	392	...	2,336	5,694	6,752	4,118
Ramsbai ...	...	731	382	737	...	...
Mal Bazar ...	...	...	394	381	370	...
Belakoba ...	...	...	...	101	...	...
Total ...	392	731	3,288	7,959	7,593	4,669
<i>Darjeeling.</i>						
Siliguri ...	...	...	758	2,650	373	...
Ghoom ...	...	...	524	...	492	...
Darjeeling ...	382	346	201	374	...	...
Kurseong ...	...	...	...	3,364	...	371
Total ...	382	346	1,483	6,388	865	371
<i>Pabna.</i>						
Sirajganj ...	...	...	172	...	748	2,259
Total ...	...	...	172	...	748	2,259
<i>Faridpur.</i>						
Pangsa ...	...	...	...	2,203	378	...
Rajbari ...	...	...	...	1,125	...	...
Goalundo ...	...	...	...	962	...	...
Pachuria ...	...	...	...	1,024	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	5,320	378	...
TOTAL OF BENGAL ...	4,442	4,240	10,514	41,917	21,817	18,240
CHOTA NAGPUR.						
<i>Hazaribagh.</i>						
Giridih ...	750	376	1,101	5,518	4,138	1,906
Total ...	750	376	1,101	5,518	4,138	1,906
<i>Manbhum.</i>						
Purulia ...	22	...	...	...	1,851	1,099
Bulrampur ...	5	...	...	...	...	340
Barakar ...	3	...	...	...	...	153
Pradhan Khanta ...	1	...	...	485	383	...
Katrasgarh ...	...	...	...	...	...	101
Total ...	31	...	...	485	2,234	1,698
<i>Singhbhum.</i>						
Chakradharpur ...	31	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	31	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL OF CHOTA NAGPUR...	812	376	1,101	6,003	6,372	3,599
BIHAR.						
<i>Sonthal Parganas.</i>						
Barharwa ...	...	...	...	754	380	374
Maharajpur Ghat ...	...	372	386	...	371	...
Pakour ...	...	6	...	371	746	...
Sahibganj ...	380	1,878	6,839	7,138	3,787	6,795
Baidyanath ...	2	...	2,319	3,015	2,464	750
Madhupur ...	...	...	...	...	414	1,251
Total ...	382	2,256	9,544	11,278	8,082	9,170
<i>Purnea.</i>						
Katihar Junction ...	...	...	...	756	...	1,505

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BIHAR—contd.						
<i>Bhagalpur.</i>						
Nathnagar ...	...	...	...	1,525	...	381
Colgong ...	...	...	381	8,291	7,869	4,099
Pirpanti ...	...	...	1,502	7,156	746	1,916
Ghoga ...	...	370	1,878	...	...	...
Bhagalpur ...	764	...	4,958	18,105	3,001	2,272
Sultanganj ...	...	...	...	1,885	746	...
Raghupur ...	...	...	...	370	...	...
Pertabganj ...	...	...	...	...	374	...
Total ...	764	370	8,719	37,322	12,736	8,667
<i>Monghyr.</i>						
Bariarpur ...	...	...	...	382	...	...
Khagaria ...	...	...	...	2,620	1,559	...
Jamulpur ...	...	...	373	...	397	...
Lakhisarai ...	388	...	2,629	10,956	2,261	1,884
Monghyr ...	382	...	1,124	1,524	772	745
Garhara ...	2,268	377	385	12,047	2,299	1,453
Tegra ...	746	...	...	2,642	1,117	747
Jamui ...	...	...	...	1,182	...	757
Begamsarai ...	371	...	...	...	...	...
Burhi ...	...	...	...	1,516	383	...
Simultola ...	...	...	...	742	...	377
Nawadi ...	...	...	...	371	...	...
Total ...	4,155	377	4,511	33,982	8,788	5,963
<i>Patna.</i>						
Masaurhi ...	...	...	...	...	375	...
Khushrupur ...	...	...	2,682	4,178	1,906	...
Barh ...	1,518	376	1,532	4,129	2,247	1,504
Patna ...	12,781	22,465	15,054	47,135	7,631	7,333
Bankipore ...	1,491	...	...	375	748	...
Digha Ghat ...	2,376	589	4,158	12,462	2,625	4,564
Sadispur ...	375	...	377	...	...	...
Bihta ...	1,211	126	376	746	379	389
Mokameh ...	...	756	2,340	10,495	377	746
Dinapur ...	...	375	...	1,516	753	1,119
Buktiarpur ...	...	...	...	1,868	...	752
Fatua ...	...	...	...	...	750	390
Total ...	19,782	25,987	26,519	82,904	17,791	16,797
<i>Gaya.</i>						
Gaya ...	...	1,475	5,271	16,138	9,764	7,477
Jahanabad ...	...	...	...	1,501	...	...
Bela ...	...	...	...	...	...	373
Total ...	...	1,475	5,271	17,639	9,764	7,850
<i>Shahabad.</i>						
Bedadi ...	...	...	...	3,489	...	1,140
Raghunathpur ...	...	374	3,404	4,896	391	...
Arrah ...	1,129	370	1,896	11,277	1,918	432
Buxar ...	1,513	2,664	2,268	8,671	746	1,861
Dumraon ...	378	1,117	376	2,257	772	1,518
Total ...	3,020	4,525	7,944	30,590	3,827	4,951
<i>Darbhanga.</i>						
Sakri ...	...	...	...	374	...	1,504
Tamaria ...	...	...	1,133	371	...	747
Samastipur ...	...	3,133	7,136	20,705	10,675	10,580
Dalsingh Sarai ...	374	378	758	5,603	5,268	8,263
Darbhanga ...	8,169	8,791	26,144	54,972	19,131	20,666
Kamtaul ...	1,104	...	...	...	...	383
Waini ...	...	...	385	744	376	753
Total ...	9,647	7,302	35,556	82,769	35,450	42,896

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BIHAR—conold.						
<i>Muzaffarpur.</i>						
Janakpur Road ...	...	...	...	...	382	...
Sarai ...	...	...	...	750	...	370
Bairagnia ...	...	...	...	1,092	372	...
Kanti ...	...	748	...	...	381	...
Matipur ...	1,022	...	...	...	376	...
Dholi ...	1,115	404	...	...	...	374
Muzaffarpur ...	6,843	9,996	40,791	42,067	23,008	27,865
Bhagwanpur ...	22	...	761	3,185	380	...
Sitamarhi ...	382	...	7,556	18,458	4,899	5,709
Hajipur ...	...	1,554	3,771	4,491	1,131	377
Total ...	9,384	12,702	52,879	70,043	30,829	34,695
<i>Champaran.</i>						
Maesi ...	1,018	...	3,768	3,357	1,116	1,915
Segowli ...	1,410	...	3,024	2,248	374	371
Jindara ...	6,735	3,417	2,984	...	...	7,139
Bettiah ...	5,727	11,007	59,559	27,927	4,896	...
Bara ...	507	...	2,255	6,349	2,617	5,988
Motihari ...	...	1,137	14,051	32,447	6,811	4,120
Pipra ...	...	...	373	1,526	1,127	378
Total ...	15,397	15,561	86,014	73,854	16,941	19,911
<i>Saran.</i>						
Dighwara ...	...	...	371	...	...	...
Ekma ...	...	2,314	1,499	3,376	375	...
Chapra ...	4,112	12,030	22,672	23,336	1,121	8,973
Goldenganj ...	2	...	...	371	...	...
Daronda ...	372	376	5,133	13,511	1,502	1,492
Saran ...	16,409	34,235	31,607	46,894	4,113	3,729
Revelganj ...	10,784	8,262	20,573	30,541	4,499	5,927
Mairwa ...	...	...	...	747	...	...
Total ...	31,679	57,217	81,855	1,18,776	11,610	20,121
TOTAL OF BIHAR ...	94,210	1,27,772	3,18,812	5,59,913	1,55,818	1,72,526
TOTAL OF PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVER- NOR OF BENGAL.	99,464	1,32,388	3,30,427	6,07,833	1,84,007	1,94,365
NORTH-WESTERN PROV- INCES AND OUDH.						
<i>Ghazipur District.</i>						
Dildarnagar ...	1,868	3,440	3,012	6,000	1,132	826
Guhmer ...	365	...	...	...	...	...
Tari Ghat ...	5,352	2,632	373	7,172	1,888	19
Total ...	7,585	6,072	3,385	13,172	3,020	845
<i>Benares District.</i>						
Shiupur ...	...	...	...	381	...	1,139
Zamania ...	1,869	1,875	6,017	10,336	1,505	1,925
Sakaldiba ...	2,273	761	...	370	...	373
Mogulsarai ...	379	...	378	373	376	...
Benares Cantonment ...	26,811	23,471	20,894	20,010	3,451	8,540
Total ...	31,332	26,107	27,289	31,476	5,332	11,977
<i>Gorakhpur District.</i>						
Bhagalpur Gogra ...	...	...	...	3,000	...	375
Chauri Chaura ...	...	2,998	...	...	...	...
Tahsil Deoria ...	1,510	1,136	2,262	1,493	...	...
Gorakhpur ...	2,304	1,520	1,496	...	...	380
Sahjanwa ...	773	1,523	376	753	375	...
Bhatpur	8,629	1,866	744
Total ...	4,587	7,177	4,134	13,875	2,241	1,499

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NORTH-WESTERN PROV- INCES AND OUDH— contd.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
<i>Basti District.</i>						
Khalilabad ...	...	378	...	372	...	...
Basti ...	1,933	6,413	782	1,172	...	...
Uska Bazar ...	1,146	1,869	...	...	...	...
Total ...	3,079	8,660	782	1,544	...	...
<i>Gonda District.</i>						
Gonda ...	1,485	8,685	4,878	...	...	373
Other places ...	1,153	6,764	1,127	...	...	...
Total ...	2,638	15,399	6,005	...	...	373
<i>Baraich District.</i>						
Naupara ...	...	...	...	1,505	...	...
Baraich ...	...	754	1,507	753	...	...
Total ...	...	754	1,507	2,258	...	...
<i>Mirzapur District.</i>						
Ahaura Road ...	1,505	5,653	4,507	2,990	758	1,189
Chunar ...	823	378	381	377	380	1,119
Mirzapur ...	22,465	17,473	7,234	11,006	753	2,660
Gainpura ...	383	384	...	376	373	...
Total ...	25,176	23,888	12,122	14,749	2,264	4,918
<i>Allahabad District.</i>						
Karchana ...	...	...	1,131	375	745	...
Naini ...	...	370	...	...	...	...
Manwari ...	378	755	...	375	...	372
Jasra ...	376	2,652	5,287	8,996	2,280	2,274
Mija Road ...	15,747	21,899	15,460	21,085	6,423	4,880
Nahwai ...	1,519	...	378	...	...	1,123
Allahabad ...	48,683	56,477	21,813	17,353	6,466	3,730
Bharwari ...	7,819	6,029	2,278	1,875	...	767
Sirathu ...	4,551	5,673	4,517	412	...	...
Shiurajpur ...	763	...	752	1,863	1,883	386
Other places ...	376	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	80,212	93,855	51,616	52,334	17,797	13,537
<i>Fatehpur District.</i>						
Bahrampur ...	...	...	1,515	374	...	...
Khaga ...	...	1,510	2,270	...	...	...
Bindki ...	14,387	21,270	10,612	3,438	1,125	1,499
Fatehpur ...	...	...	387	...	...	...
Total ...	14,387	22,780	14,784	3,812	1,125	1,499
<i>Cawnpore District.</i>						
Cawnpore City ...	93,071	1,38,222	87,057	14,940	380	2,922
<i>Etawah District.</i>						
Phaphund ...	2,643	3,024	3,775	436	...	...
Bharthna ...	388	378	...	...	...	...
Etawah ...	19,017	14,360	8,749	2,254	...	373
Jasawantnagar ...	3,014	2,279	4,158	...	...	...
Total ...	25,062	20,041	16,682	2,690	...	373
<i>Farukhabad District.</i>						
Farukhabad ...	...	373	380	...	...	...
Kanauj ...	381	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	381	373	380	...	...	...
<i>Mainpuri District.</i>						
Kaurara ...	3,782	1,535	1,126
Shakohabad ...	1,966	1,137	2,642	373
Total ...	5,748	2,672	3,768	373

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<i>Agra District.</i>						
Firozabad ...	12,015	4,238	6,557	1,213
Agra ...	20,578	13,522	34,662	19,276	380	2,314
Total ...	32,593	17,760	41,219	20,489	380	2,314
<i>Sitapur District.</i>						
Sitapur ...	379	3,022	2,635	2,632	1,140	747
<i>Muttra District.</i>						
Kosi ...	...	...	1,173	...	391	...
Muttra ...	2,331	1,997	2,628	749	...	...
Brindaban ...	...	...	324	372	...	377
Total ...	2,331	1,997	4,125	1,121	391	377
<i>Alighur District.</i>						
Harduaganj ...	...	...	755	...	...	...
Sikandra Rao ...	753	...	...	...	...	...
Hattrass ...	21,667	8,797	30,653	4,956	...	1,559
Alighur ...	6,414	1,815	4,570	2,640	375	...
Total ...	28,834	10,612	35,978	7,596	375	1,559
<i>Bulandshahar District.</i>						
Chola ...	...	...	1,138	...	...	...
Secundrabad ...	...	747	1,510	1,506	...	...
Khurja ...	5,308	3,826	9,468	3,774	...	760
Dibai ...	756	756	3,021	...	...	...
Total ...	6,064	5,329	15,137	5,280	...	760
<i>Muzaffarnagar District.</i>						
Muzaffarnagar ...	...	...	757	...	...	...
<i>Meerut District.</i>						
Ghaziabad ...	566	1,512	1,143	1,135	...	...
Meerut ...	6,851	15,779	8,873	6,410	...	1,137
Total ...	7,417	17,291	10,016	7,545	...	1,137
<i>Banda District.</i>						
Badansa ...	...	...	390	1,133	751	383
Banda ...	1,187	5,666	11,376	7,608	...	1,146
Bargarh ...	742	1,507	3,042	1,540	377	373
Manikpur ...	384	1,129	1,133	1,499	...	...
Kurwi ...	1,145	6,465	17,032	5,343	...	747
Total ...	3,458	14,767	32,973	17,033	1,128	2,649
<i>Moradabad District.</i>						
Khanth ...	...	374	1,136	375	...	...
Moradabad ...	...	4,910	4,148	1,889	...	...
Chundowsi ...	782	15,416	4,841	382	...	...
Total ...	782	20,700	10,125	2,646	...	...
<i>Azimgarh District.</i>						
Shahganj ...	7,558	7,522	378	3,151	1,135	...
<i>Bareilly District.</i>						
Aonla ...	1,510	3,865	2,252	...	...	...
Bareilly ...	2,711	26,824	12,773	2,303	...	...
Total ...	4,221	30,689	15,025	2,303
<i>Jaunpur District.</i>						
Jaunpur ...	14,496	25,241	5,637	8,268	...	3,000

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<i>Shajehanpur District.</i>						
Shajehanpur ...	4,180	7,175	6,442	400	371	...
Tilhar ...	5,061	7,907	3,058
Auji ...	2,684	4,199	3,774	...	...	378
Total ...	11,925	19,281	13,274	400	371	378
<i>Eta District.</i>						
Jaleswar Road...	...	...	386	...	...	...
Kashganj ...	754	...	2,266	373	...	...
Total ...	754	...	2,652	373	...	...
<i>Lucknow District.</i>						
Lucknow ...	17,199	27,988	24,956	5,034	2,640	752
Alamnagar ...	7,976	9,894	13,975	2,244	...	...
Kakori ...	1,491	774	755	...	...	...
Malihabad ...	754	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	27,420	38,656	39,686	7,278	2,640	752
<i>Pilibhit District.</i>						
Pilibhit ...	...	1,516	...	...	...	...
<i>Saharanpur District.</i>						
Rurki ...	...	...	373	...	...	...
Saharanpur ...	...	379	5,253	9,401	...	...
Total ...	...	379	5,626	9,401	...	...
<i>Fyzabad District.</i>						
Sahwal ...	...	...	788	...	...	...
Radhauli ...	1,133	7,585	2,265	4,124	...	375
Fyzabad ...	9,146	31,402	6,210	7,563	1,887	1,514
Ajodhya ...	762	3,026	...	...	376	1,121
Gosainganj ...	...	789	...	1,122	...	...
Total ...	11,041	42,802	9,258	12,809	2,263	3,010
<i>Sultanpur District.</i>						
Akbarpur ...	1,150	3,008	762	745	...	371
<i>Bara Banki District.</i>						
Bahramghat ...	...	...	1,881	1,139	1,904	...
Duryabad ...	...	378	...	379	766	...
Bara Banki ...	3,415	3,416	4,557	1,131	...	...
Safidarganj ...	8,795	17,267	14,034	4,848	814	1,514
Total ...	12,210	21,061	20,472	7,497	3,484	1,514
<i>Hardai District.</i>						
Balamau ...	...	755	...	...	...	...
Hardai ...	6,104	10,703	2,650	371	371	375
Baghauli ...	5,493	4,143	4,139	374	...	...
Sandila ...	1,138	1,123	3,022	...	...	...
Total ...	12,735	16,724	9,811	745	371	375
<i>Bijnor District.</i>						
Dhampur ...	...	3,017	5,675	...	...	...
Nagina ...	...	2,261	4,551	1,128	...	...
Najibabad ...	...	2,260	6,426	1,882	...	...
Bijnor ...	...	1,124	...	1,494	...	...
Total	8,662	16,652	4,504

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 19, 1897. 1881

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NORTH-WESTERN PROV. INCES AND OUDH— concl'd.						
<i>Jhansi District.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Jhansi ...	...	1,510	1,530	3,385	...	...
<i>Lalitpur District.</i>						
Lalitpur ...	...	755	748	2,255	...	...
<i>Kheri District.</i>						
Lakshmipur ...	...	378	2,257	754	...	...
<i>Hamirpur District.</i>						
Mahoba ...	399	3,034	4,184	4,494	747	...
<i>Dehra Dun District.</i>						
Hardwar ...	...	...	378	...	...	...
<i>Jalaum District.</i>						
Ait ...	...	...	...	744	...	...
Kalpi ...	...	...	1,127	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	1,127	744	...	...
<i>Garhwal District.</i>						
Haldwani ...	...	...	750	750	...	...
Other places ...	14,099	10,580	28,912	2,666	100	766
TOTAL OF THE NORTH- WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH.	4,93,124	6,89,271	5,61,595	2,88,137	46,684	57,647
PANJAB.						
<i>Amritsur District.</i>						
Amritsur ...	...	740	...	...	...	...
<i>Delhi District.</i>						
Delhi ...	39,817	68,298	58,032	39,484	3,486	6,387
<i>Jullundur District.</i>						
Jullundur City ...	3	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Umballa District.</i>						
Umballa City ...	402	5,755	7,189	3,006	757	...
<i>Gurgaon District.</i>						
Faraknagar ...	...	378	...	...	...	...
Gurgaon ...	...	752	1,138	...	...	...
Rewari ...	12,795	18,118	18,154	10,732	375	810
Total ...	12,795	19,248	19,292	10,732	...	810
Other places ...	12,187	30,867	26,241	24,457	...	374
TOTAL OF THE PANJAB ...	65,204	1,10,908	1,10,754	77,679	4,618	7,571

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CENTRAL PROVINCES.						
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Sehora Road	2,278	1,129	2,646	743	747
Katni ...	...	2,614	6,458	5,692	1,515	4,130
Jubbulpur ...	...	14,294	31,227	21,167	4,899	7,950
Peparia ...	...	2,257	8,676	12,088	1,534	1,503
Kareli ...	...	3,393	4,142	3,768	743	...
Nagpur ...	...	3,057	5,322	9,476	10,653	9,018
Other places ...	1,145	8,736	32,567	79,706	40,614	43,771
Total ...	1,145	36,629	89,521	1,34,543	60,701	67,119
RAJPUTANA AND CEN- TRAL INDIA.						
Dholpur ...	...	1,126	...	...	...	...
Ajmere ...	...	376	383	...	...	...
Sutna ...	3,096	8,307	16,289	28,560	...	2,192
Mhow ...	147	1,148	...	...	1,543	...
Ulwar ...	392	760	3,809	...	...	...
Indore ...	750	756	...	...	...	...
Jeypore ...	378	763	377	1,498	...	...
Bawal ...	378	377	...	...	...	...
Harphulpur ...	383	766	1,795	1,496	...	...
Other places ...	...	3,459	4,431	3,599	...	...
Total ...	5,524	17,838	27,084	35,153	1,543	2,192
Hyderabad ...	378	778	...	...	...	...
BERAR.						
Dhamangaon ...	...	...	600	380	...	756
Malkapur ...	26	...	...	407	...	...
Khamgaon ...	66	381	432	404	1,135	...
Akola ...	53	656	763	...	...	...
Amraoti ...	66	1,129	3,388	3,841	...	2,287
Total ...	211	2,166	5,153	5,032	1,135	3,043
Bombay ...	...	...	374	...	...	...
Unspecified places ...	15,320	44,902	24,834	11,142	2,434	5,171
GRAND TOTAL ...	6,80,370	10,43,880	11,49,772	11,59,519	3,01,122	3,37,108
ABSTRACT.						
Total of Bengal ...	4,442	4,240	10,514	41,917	21,817	18,240
" " Bihar ...	94,210	1,27,772	3,18,812	5,59,913	1,55,818	1,72,526
" " Chota Nagpur ...	812	376	1,101	6,003	6,372	3,599
" " the North-Western Provinces and Oudh	4,93,124	6,89,271	5,61,595	2,88,137	46,684	57,647
" " the Panjab ...	65,204	1,19,908	1,10,754	77,679	4,618	7,571
" " Rajputana and Cen- tral India ...	5,524	17,838	27,084	35,153	1,543	2,192
" " Central Provinces ...	1,145	36,629	89,521	1,34,543	60,701	67,119
" " Hyderabad ...	378	778	...	...	...	...
" " Berar ...	211	2,166	5,183	5,032	1,135	3,043
" " Bombay ...	...	...	374	...	...	...
" " Unspecified places...	15,320	44,902	24,834	11,142	2,434	5,171
Add exports from Calcutta from 1st to 30th January 1897, the details whereof are not available.	87,800	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	7,68,170	10,43,880	11,49,772	11,59,519	3,01,122	3,37,108

**EXPORTS OF FOOD-GRAINS BY THE EASTERN BENGAL STATE
RAILWAY.**

No. 1164 Statistics.—The following statement shows the quantity of rice and other food-grains exported by the Eastern Bengal State Railway from Sealdah and Calcutta during the period from 1st January to 1st May 1897, both days inclusive, to have been 2,68,566 maunds. The destination of 2,66,998 maunds is specified. A little less than three-fourths of this quantity (1,93,314 maunds) was carried to stations in Bengal Proper, and 10,191 maunds to Bihar and Chota Nagpur, about one-seventh (36,095 maunds) to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, a little over one-tenth (25,093 maunds) to places in Assam and the rest (2,305 maunds) to other provinces.

M. FINUCANE,
Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 18th May 1897.

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BENGAL.					
<i>24-Parganas.</i>					
Barrackpore	102	102	102
Shamnagar	...	5
Kankinara	...	261
Naihati	48	40	...
Kanchrapara	20	14	...
Duttapukur	...	15	28	1	40
Gobardanga	...	94	133	114	217
Akra Junction	9	...	...
Muslandpur	2	5	2
Mugra Hat	4	...
Guma	20	...
Total	...	375	238	273	428
<i>Nadia.</i>					
Chakdaha	...	3	7	...	69
Rauaghat	438	10	122
Aranghata	...	8	22	5	10
Bagula	...	30	2	9	2,020
Kishanganj	...	1,953	142	28	406
Banpur	...	72	521	...	...
Ramnagar	...	267	306	10	8
Jairampur	...	4	480	10	501
Chuadanga	...	1,723	1,099	171	1,027
Munshiganj	...	1,290	849	...	738
Alamdanga	...	12,937	2,857	1,029	3,411
Halsa	...	523	832	...	358
Poradaha	...	1,683	12	207	...
Jagati	...	10	...	10	11
Kushtia	...	7,227	2,030	1,783	3,092
Kumarkhali	...	2,797	290	14	751
Koksa	...	466	200	559	886
Mirpur	...	3,632	376	310	3,509
Bhairamara	...	10,998	902	...	2,064
Damukdia	...	1	...	1	301
Gangnapur	...	3	...	10	2
Total	...	45,677	11,365	4,166	19,286
<i>Jessore.</i>					
Chandpara	68	13	10
Bangaon	...	455	227	162	243
Gopalnagar	...	10	39	12	18
Benapol	...	98	18	12	10
Nabharan	...	196	40	53	143
Jhikargacha	...	2,187	1,111	155	394
Jessore	...	860	224	250	305
Rupdia	...	6	6	11	22
Singia	...	35	54	7	35
Naral	...	25	...	12	...
Binodpur	...	25
Total	...	3,597	1,787	687	1,183
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BENGAL—contd.						
<i>Khulna.</i>		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Nawapara	7
Phultala	...	2	28	58
Daulatpur	14	...
Khulna	...	63	42	62	66	...
Bagir Hât	...	1	1	11	2	...
Total	...	66	50	73	110	58
<i>Rajshahi.</i>						
Malanchi	...	...	...	...	...	175
Gopalpur	...	...	...	4	69	...
Nator	...	2	425	...	61	...
Attrai	...	32	...	5	...	...
Raninagar	...	100	8	...	...	...
Alipur	...	1,827	2,123	2,885	2,175	...
Rampur Boalia	...	...	...	...	5	61
Total	...	1,961	2,556	2,894	2,310	236
<i>Dinajpur.</i>						
Charkai	...	12	10	30	20	22
Phulbari	...	18	...	6	22	...
Raiganj	...	...	1	...	...	...
Dinajpur	...	100	94	57	23	...
Total	...	130	105	93	65	22
<i>Jalpaiguri.</i>						
Dam-Dim	...	...	...	...	...	171
Chilahati	...	70	...	...	...	...
Haldibari	...	2,207	341	393	2,177	5,956
Jalpaiguri	...	2,434	81	855	116	1,924
Ramshai Hât	...	...	943	2,341	749	981
Chalsa Road Ghat	...	...	1,220	...	...	...
Malbazar	...	...	506	500	...	...
Total	...	4,711	3,091	4,089	3,042	9,032
<i>Darjeeling.</i>						
Siliguri	...	708	63	577	1,060	836
Kurseong	...	2	2	24	10	2,260
Sonada	...	...	...	306	...	...
Ghum	...	119	387	...	1,144	1,413
Darjeeling	...	541	327	140	130	777
Total	...	1,370	779	1,047	2,344	5,286

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BENGAL—contd.					
<i>Rangpur.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rangpur ...	264	128	72	119	161
Kaunia ...	64	...	4
Badarganj ...	4	...	...	...	...
Saidpur ...	134	90	165	254	372
Nilphamari ...	96	63	10	...	45
Domar ...	65	12	288	2,448	864
Tista ...	6	...	...	...	386
Lalmonir Hât ...	...	2	11	...	100
Magal Hât ...	...	22	...	41	117
Kuigram ...	301	300	32	79	48
Jatrapur ...	2	...	20	...	...
Porabari ...	16	...	...	...	...
Madarganj ...	...	...	4	...	...
Kamarjani ...	47	...	3	80	...
Chilmari ...	4	...	...	143	61
Rowmari ...	6	...	...	2	10
Total ...	1,009	617	609	3,166	2,164
<i>Bogra.</i>					
Jaipur Hât ...	...	...	...	...	16
Jamerbari ...	35	4	4	107	61
Sultanpur ...	82	43	16	5	20
Akkelpur ...	10	370	10	...	...
Hili ...	48	...	...	...	6
Jamalganj ...	...	...	4	...	383
Total ...	175	417	34	112	486
<i>Pabna.</i>					
Nagarbari ...	4	2	23	...	...
Banagram ...	8	8	...	8	15
Belkuchi ...	6	42	7	101	...
Seraiganj ...	605	196	174	280	395
Total ...	623	248	204	389	410
<i>Cooch Behar.</i>					
Chausa Hât ...	41	19	41	84	445
Torsa ...	1,601	377	1,247	1,526	3,447
Other places ...	...	...	7	...	370
Total ...	1,642	396	1,295	1,610	4,262
<i>Dacca.</i>					
Elashin ...	...	...	...	6	...
Narayanganj ...	...	...	20	1	20
Dacca ...	30	25	40	92	12
Kadirpur	22
Tarpasa	1	26
Kamalaghat	2
Bahar	7	...
Total ...	30	48	88	106	32

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BENGAL—contd.						
<i>Mymensingh.</i>		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Gafargaon	16
Mymensingh	...	112	...	4	14	...
Bhairab Bazar	...	41
Bahadurabad	...	126	70	7
Hargilachar	...	10	12
Jagannathganj	...	17	39	5	...	81
Subarnakhali	14	...	300	67
Total	...	306	151	16	314	148
<i>Faridpur.</i>						
Daulatdia	...	137	174	773	422	141
Lallgolla	...	314	3	39	690	...
Pangsa	...	5,940	1,497	64	429	1,546
Belgachi	...	237	129	568	642	139
Rajbari	...	73	...	458	2,142	259
Pachuria	...	664	2	984	3,753	...
Goalundo	...	2,193	5	1,263	1,503	1
Faridpur	6	15	...
Madaripur	...	1
Total	...	9,559	1,810	4,155	9,590	2,086
<i>Backergunge.</i>						
Jhalakati	...	40	...	100	100	...
Barisal	...	44	140	24	20	...
Total	...	84	140	124	120	...
<i>Tippera.</i>						
Comilla	10	...
Chandpur	6	2	...
Akhora	7	...
Total	6	19	...
<i>Noakhali.</i>						
Noakhali	...	19	1
<i>Chittagong.</i>						
Chittagong	...	24
<i>Burdwan.</i>						
Rasulpur	3
Raniganj	...	428
Total	...	428	...	3

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st January to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th February to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6
BENGAL—concd.					
<i>Birbhum.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Bolpur ...	5	...	...	...	...
Sainthia ...	...	...	...	2	...
Total ...	5	...	...	2	...
<i>Murshidabad.</i>					
Azimganj ...	...	312	...	...	...
Jiaganj ...	20	...	...	...	...
Total ...	20	312	...	...	...
Total of Bengal ...	71,611	24,121	19,856	44,202	33,524
CHOTA NAGPUR.					
<i>Hazaribagh.</i>					
Giridih ...	20	...	...	...	370
<i>Manbhum.</i>					
Purulia ...	...	...	...	...	370
Chandil ...	10	...	...	...	...
Katrasgarh ...	...	...	...	16	...
Total ...	10	...	...	16	370
<i>Singbbum.</i>					
Chakradharpur ...	20	...	...	...	...
Total of Chota Nagpur ...	50	...	...	16	740
BIHAR.					
<i>Sonthal Parganas.</i>					
Pakur ...	...	6	...	...	...
<i>Bhagalpur.</i>					
Colgong ...	384	...	...	...	...
<i>Monghyr.</i>					
Monghyr ...	...	...	...	...	370
Barowni ...	...	...	10	...	...
Khagaria ...	...	...	...	742	...
Total ...	...	...	10	742	370
<i>Patna.</i>					
Patna	370
Diga Ghat	370	370	...
Bakhtiarpur	377	...
Total	370	747	370
<i>Purnea.</i>					
Kishanganj	1	...

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1			2	3	4	5	6
BIHAR—concd.							
<i>Gaya.</i>			Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Gaya
<i>Muzaffarpur.</i>							
Muzaffarpur	746	392	1,120
<i>Champaran.</i>							
Bettiah	370
<i>Saran.</i>							
Chapra	427
Saran	1,850	...	370	740
Total	2,277	...	370	740
Total of Bihar	1,130	2,675	1,870	2,230	1,480
NORTH-WESTERN PRO- VINCES AND OUDH.							
<i>Ghazipur.</i>							
Ghazipur	1
<i>Gorakpur.</i>							
Gauri Bazar	370
Chauri Chaura	370
Total	740
<i>Mirzapur.</i>							
Mirzapur	385
<i>Allahabad.</i>							
Mija Road	385
Allahabad	2,204	753	745
Total	2,204	1,138	745
<i>Fatthpur.</i>							
Bindki	385
<i>Cawnpur.</i>							
Cawnpur	4,951	740	2,274
<i>Etawah.</i>							
Etawah	2,004	379
<i>Mainpuri.</i>							
Shakohabad	375

1890 SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 19, 1897.

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st January to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th February to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH—contd.					
<i>Agra.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Firozabad ...	767	...	...	...	...
<i>Muttra.</i>					
Muttra ...	...	...	379	...	...
<i>Alighur.</i>					
Hattrass ...	715	388	385	790	...
Alighur ...	...	...	375	...	...
Total ...	715	388	760	790	...
<i>Meerut.</i>					
Meerut ...	758	...	...	...	...
<i>Moradabad.</i>					
Moradabad ...	...	...	385	...	...
<i>Barielly.</i>					
Aonla ...	...	...	379	...	...
Barielly ...	...	...	1,143	...	...
Total ...	...	...	1,522	...	...
<i>Jaunpur.</i>					
Jaunpur ...	8	...	...	...	...
Jalalganj ...	6	...	...	...	...
Total ...	14	...	...	...	...
<i>Shahjehanpur.</i>					
Shahjehanpur ...	374	...	758	...	...
Tilhar ...	1,134	380	385	...	...
Aujhee ...	...	...	385	...	...
Total ...	1,508	380	1,528	...	...
<i>Lucknow.</i>					
Lucknow ...	749	...	754	398	...
Alamnagar ...	3,401	...	...	...	...
Total ...	4,150	...	754	398	...

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 19, 1897. 1891

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.		Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st January to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th February to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.
1		2	3	4	5	6
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH—concd.						
<i>Fyzabad.</i>		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Fyzabad	...	...	...	379	442	...
Gosainganj	...	...	385	...	...	...
Total	...	...	385	379	442	...
<i>Hardai.</i>						
Hardai	...	373	...	...	...	...
Baghauli	...	748	...	...	...	...
Total	...	1,121	...	...	...	...
Other places	...	1,119	...	1,124	...	8
Total of the North-Western Provinces.		19,686	4,535	10,236	1,630	8
Panjab	...	...	...	1,121	395	...
Central Provinces	...	...	385	...	...	20
Rajputana and Central India	...	...	384	...	...	...
ASSAM.						
<i>Sylhet.</i>						
Badarpur	...	2,925	678	50	667	75
Balaganj	...	...	...	505	...	...
Karimganj	...	750	...	...	...	...
Chattak	...	...	3	...	...	...
Other places	...	...	1	4	4	...
Total	...	3,675	682	559	671	75
<i>Cachar.</i>						
Silchar	...	98	1,423	396	927	...
<i>Goalpara.</i>						
Dhubri	...	...	...	...	...	225
Kamarjoni	...	...	14	...	13	281
Goalpara	...	...	...	10	...	...
Total	...	...	14	10	13	506
<i>Kamrup.</i>						
Gauhati	...	4	4	...	3	...
<i>Darrang.</i>						
Tejpur	...	...	...	152	...	...
Mangaldai	...	18	...	...	...	...
Total	...	18	...	152	...	...

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.			Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st January to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th February to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.
1			2	3	4	5	6
ASSAM—concl'd.							
<i>Sibsagar.</i>			Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Nigriting	...	...	505	542	170	308	30
Disangmukh	...	...	166	310	219	378	25
Dekhumukh	...	...	461	747	921	461	560
Kokilamukh	...	...	...	...	122	57	99
Other places	...	...	...	60	81	337	...
Total	...	...	1,132	1,659	1,513	1,541	714
<i>Lakhimpur.</i>							
Dibrugarh	...	...	1,299	2,388	2,273	2,471	848
Palasbari	...	...	1	...	1	...	...
Total	...	...	1,300	2,388	2,274	2,471	848
<i>Nowgong.</i>							
Silghat	...	...	1	6	...	1	...
Other places	...	...	...	...	...	15	...
Total of Assam	...	...	6,228	6,176	4,904	5,642	2,143
Unspecified places	...	...	346	211	864	247	...
GRAND TOTAL	...	...	99,051	38,487	38,851	54,262	37,915
ABSTRACT.							
Total of Bengal	...	...	71,611	24,121	19,856	44,202	33,524
Ditto Bihar	...	...	1,130	2,675	1,870	2,230	1,480
Ditto Chota Nagpur	...	...	50	...	...	16	740
Ditto North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	...	...	19,686	4,535	10,236	1,630	8
Ditto Panjab	1,121	395	...
Ditto Central Provinces	385	20
Ditto Rajputana and Central India.	384
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Unspecified places	346	211	864	147	...
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CONSOLIDATED PROVINCIAL STATEMENTS OF FOOD-GRAIN TRAFFIC
OF THE LOWER PROVINCES.

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STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT;
The 18th May 1897.

M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

MEMORANDUM.

IN the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 17th March 1897, consolidated provincial statements were published for the month of December 1896 in comparison with the figures for the corresponding month of 1895, showing the traffic in food-grains in all the routes by which this trade is registered in Bengal. Similar statements are now published for the month of January 1897, as compared with the figures for January 1896. The following divisions of the trade are registered on the routes shown against each :—

- (1) Trade of Calcutta and Howrah—
With all districts and provinces in India ... By inland routes, i.e., by rail, country boats, inland steamers and road, and by sea-going vessels, both foreign and coasting.
- (2) Trade of the Dacca, Chittagong, and Orissa Divisions—
With Calcutta ... By all inland routes and coasting vessels.
With foreign ports ... By sea.
And with other districts and provinces in India ... By rail only.
- (3) Trade of the Burdwan, Presidency, Rajshahi, Patna, Bhagalpur, and Chota Nagpur Divisions—
With Calcutta ... By all inland routes.
And with other districts and provinces in India ... By rail only.

The table below shows the total quantity of food-grains carried to and from these provinces during the months of January 1896 and 1897 :—

		Imports.		Exports.	
		1896. Mds.	1897. Mds.	1896. Mds.	1897. Mds.
Rice	...	26,07,646	36,68,412	38,36,834	35,53,277
Paddy	...	3,88,861	6,98,224	3,89,969	6,94,298
Wheat	...	1,63,695	1,00,556	52,506	45,813
Gram and pulses	...	4,63,535	5,73,701	7,83,777	10,72,965
Other food-grains	...	1,26,488	1,66,396	2,72,802	3,35,457
Total	...	37,50,225	52,07,289	53,35,888	57,01,810

The aggregate quantity imported during the month was 14,57,064 maunds or 38·85 per cent. over the figures for the corresponding period of 1896, while the exports were only 3,65,922 maunds or 6·86 per cent in excess. The staple food-grain of which the largest quantity was registered was rice : of this 36½ lakhs of maunds were imported against 26 lakhs in 1896, the export being 35½ against 38½ lakhs. The imports and exports of paddy were double the figures of 1896. The wheat trade showed a decrease in both cases, viz., in imports of 63,139 maunds and in exports of 6,693 maunds. Under gram and pulses both the imports and exports advanced by 1,10,166 maunds and 2,89,188 maunds respectively. In the case of "Other food-grains" the imports showed an increase of 39,908 maunds and the exports of 62,655 maunds.

The total trade of Calcutta and Howrah taken together, and of the districts in each division during the month of January 1897, is compared below with the totals of the corresponding month of the preceding year:—

Name of Division.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulses.		Other food-grains.		Total
	Import.	Export.	Import.	Export.	Import.	Export.	Import.	Export.	Import.	Export.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta and Howrah... { 1896 ...	20,95,604	12,02,484	1,35,875	50,171	1,43,584	13,249	3,29,950	2,51,896	7,418	7,809	27,11,531
{ 1897 ...	26,54,376	13,07,064	2,03,598	1,32,401	80,846	10,456	3,08,088	2,22,136	13,877	40,255	33,89,653
Burdwan (excluding Howrah). { 1896 ...	61,618	6,37,347	37,735	59,272	4,210	475	62,201	9,832	220	136	1,05,984
{ 1897 ...	1,36,671	9,08,167	37,416	2,31,702	4,618	135	58,104	13,580	1,989	11,426	2,38,728
Presidency (excluding Calcutta). { 1896 ...	57,954	4,48,388	76,757	31,585	437	8,623	24,212	1,65,884	761	8,512	1,00,121
{ 1897 ...	64,869	4,47,074	1,74,805	55,764	7,306	4,928	42,093	3,18,731	561	3,616	2,59,694
Rajshahi ... { 1896 ...	48,493	85,800	68,782	1,32,325	6	501	8,322	23,214	8,591	1,297	1,34,194
{ 1897 ...	1,26,354	78,351	91,126	1,18,422	133	646	5,720	30,505	1,452	3,263	2,24,853
Dacca ... { 1896 ...	29,808	9,68,117	8,781	1,866	18	.....	1,988	9,175	1,169	1,466	41,764
{ 1897 ...	55,453	8,88,113	32,479	933	23	2	2,864	19,713	716	832	91,533
Chittagong ... { 1896 ...	3,173	23,557	174	274	11	.....	1,407	835	127	57	4,892
{ 1897 ...	4,287	22,967	765	484	19	.....	742	937	8	4	6,301
Patna ... { 1896 ...	2,44,130	1,14,482	59,108	9,553	13,937	6,353	17,938	1,35,522	99,652	1,50,819	4,34,765
{ 1897 ...	5,24,204	37,479	91,408	23,552	5,829	3,898	44,894	1,74,300	1,41,413	74,390	8,07,808
Bhagalpur ... { 1896 ...	19,763	2,13,179	1,649	52,732	414	23,305	5,099	1,78,548	8,434	1,02,706	35,329
{ 1897 ...	53,021	1,87,199	5,760	72,104	369	19,660	29,329	2,85,907	5,659	2,01,682	94,129
Orissa ... { 1896 ...	14	1,43,072	.....	51,891	142	.....	979	7,003	.....	.....	1,153
{ 1897 ...	801	84,943	691	58,374	290	.....	1,355	4,724	140	2	8,277
Chota Nagpur ... { 1896 ...	47,689	508	.....	.....	936	.....	11,439	1,868	116	.....	60,189
{ 1897 ...	48,486	19,930	116	262	1,072	88	20,472	2,272	581	47	70,717
Total ... { 1896 ...	26,07,646	38,36,834	3,88,861	3,89,960	1,63,695	52,506	4,63,535	7,83,777	1,26,488	2,72,862	37,50,225
{ 1897 ...	36,68,412	49,41,887	6,68,224	6,94,298	1,00,556	45,813	5,73,701	10,72,905	1,66,366	3,35,457	52,07,389

Out of the above traffic, the total amounts received from, and carried to, foreign ports is shown in the following statement:—

Imports into Bengal from Foreign ports.

	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	TOTAL.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Into Calcutta ... { 1896 ...	20	.....	3	46	.....	69
{ 1897 ...	5	.....	.....	1	135	141
„ minor ports in { 1896 ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bengal. { 1897 ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ... { 1896 ...	20	.....	3	46	.....	69
{ 1897 ...	5	.....	.....	1	135	141

Exports from Bengal into Foreign ports.

	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	TOTAL.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
From Calcutta ... { 1896 ...	8,91,183	2,227	2,929	1,21,257	6,806	10,24,402
{ 1897 ...	4,88,610	39	250	14,379	128	5,03,406
„ minor ports in { 1896 ...	1,60,822	.....	.....	404	64	1,61,290
Bengal. { 1897 ...	88,951	.....	.....	95	41	89,087
Total ... { 1896 ...	10,52,005	2,227	2,929	1,21,661	6,870	11,85,692
{ 1897 ...	5,77,561	39	250	14,474	169	5,92,493

As was expected, a decrease is noticeable in all the staples exported from Bengal to Foreign Ports, especially under rice, the shipments of which fell from 10½ lakhs of maunds to 5½ lakhs of maunds. The exports of gram and pulses were about ¼th of those in 1896, owing to a decline in the despatches from Calcutta.

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As regards the trade between Bengal and other Provinces in India, the following statement furnishes the necessary details:—

	IMPORTS INTO THE LOWER PROVINCES FROM OTHER PORTS OF INDIA.				EXPORTS FROM THE LOWER PROVINCES TO OTHER PORTS OF INDIA.			
	Into Calcutta.	Into Bengal Proper.	Into Bihar.	Total.	From Calcutta.	From Bengal Proper.	From Bihar.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rice ... { 1896 ...	29	18,177	1,890	20,096	2,52,055	50,896	55,170	Mds.
... { 1897 ...	9,19,847	8,228	14,144	9,42,219	5,84,385	2,13,477	29,227	3,58,121
Paddy ... { 1896 ...	1,984	...	1,588	3,572	713	65	1,675	2,453
... { 1897 ...	33,354	...	216	33,570	11,659	7,759	10,187	29,605
Wheat ... { 1896 ...	1,25,962	1,423	2,769	1,30,154	7,912	...	8,124	16,036
... { 1897 ...	58,893	947	1,747	61,587	4,603	...	1,991	6,594
Gram and pulses ... { 1896 ...	52,569	4,869	2,489	59,927	82,770	5,596	1,70,546	2,58,912
... { 1897 ...	68,672	658	22	69,352	1,38,663	77,977	3,37,638	5,54,178
Other food-grains ... { 1896 ...	469	504	1,561	2,534	740	1,514	1,39,488	1,42,042
... { 1897 ...	2,505	662	6,404	9,571	31,906	12,954	1,33,781	1,78,641
Total ... { 1896 ...	1,81,013	24,973	10,297	7,16,283	3,44,190	58,371	3,75,003	7,77,564
... { 1897 ...	10,83,271	10,496	22,553	11,16,299	7,71,216	3,12,107	5,12,724	15,96,107

Both the imports and exports showed a considerable increase, viz., 9,00,016 maunds under imports and 8,18,543 maunds under exports. In the import trade the greatest fluctuations occurred under rice, which was imported largely; Burma alone contributing 9,16,870 maunds or 97.31 per cent. of the total trade. The largest decrease was in wheat owing to a smaller despatch from the North-Western Provinces and Oudh.

Out of the total exports shown above, the quantity despatched to the United Provinces alone amounted to 13,82,025 maunds, as against 3,48,363 maunds in the corresponding month of the previous year, as will be seen from the figures given below:—

ARTICLES.	EXPORTS TO THE NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH.				TOTAL.
	From Calcutta.	From Bengal Proper.	From Bihar.		
			Patna Division.	Bhagalpur Division.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rice ... { 1896 ...	...	45,961	15,585	37,653	99,199
... { 1897 ...	4,38,254	1,99,804	10,215	18,997	6,67,270
Paddy ... { 1896 ...	53	21	785	890	1,749
... { 1897 ...	10,572	3,442	4,485	5,702	24,201
Wheat ... { 1896 ...	.....	.....	3,43	5,081	8,124
... { 1897 ...	2,419	.....	870	1,121	4,410
Gram and pulses ... { 1896 ...	678	5,274	45,516	75,379	1,26,847
... { 1897 ...	96,346	77,612	1,32,019	2,04,662	5,10,629
Other food-grains... { 1896 ...	.....	1,814	62,942	47,688	1,12,444
... { 1897 ...	29,267	12,952	33,863	99,433	1,75,515
Total ... { 1896 ...	731	53,070	1,27,871	1,66,691	3,48,363
... { 1897 ...	5,76,858	2,93,810	1,81,442	3,29,915	13,82,025

The total export of rice from Bengal to Assam was 57,063 maunds against 26,653 maunds, Calcutta contributing 45,664 against 22,140 maunds. The consignments of gram and pulses and other food-grains sent to the Punjab aggregated 2,408 maunds against 1,402 maunds and 1,917 maunds against nil respectively.

Following the arrangement adopted in the preceding month, the internal traffic of these Provinces will be dealt with separately under the several heads noted below:—

- (1) Inter-district trade of Bengal Proper.
- (2) Trade between Bengal Proper and Bihar.
- (3) Inter-district trade of Bihar

The following statement shows the total food-grain traffic under head (1) —

		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.
Food-grains—			
Rice	...	23,02,892	21,50,969
Paddy	...	3,24,281	5,66,828
Wheat	...	12,007	17,402
Gram and pulses	...	2,58,596	3,46,195
Other food-grains	...	9,914	5,083
Total	...	29,07,690	30,86,477

The total increase was 1,78,787 maunds or 6·15 per cent.

The principal importing and exporting districts with the quantities imported or exported to each are shown in the following comparative statement:—

RICE.

Importing Districts.		1896.	1897.	Exporting Districts.		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.			Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta	...	20,92,093	17,34,048	Calcutta	...	59,038	2,09,690
Midnapore	...	669	58,091	Burdwan	...	80,634	1,29,766
Hooghly	...	59,903	71,560	Birbhum	...	1,12,998	20,442
24-Parganas	...	23,272	29,263	Midnapore	...	2,96,456	2,04,317
Nadia	...	80,886	26,236	Hooghly	...	88,326	1,04,717
Jalpaiguri	...	9,487	57,305	24-Parganas	...	3,92,923	3,87,124
Darjeeling	...	19,175	25,870	Murshidabad	...	20,744	3,961
Cooch Behar	...	1,741	23,634	Khulna	...	13,790	10,620
Backergunge	...	58	48,296	Dinajpur	...	37,045	41,644
Hazaribagh	...	13,190	17,869	Bogra	...	42,560	28,243
Manbhum	...	9,618	21,181	Backergunge	...	9,50,122	8,83,092
Other districts	...	42,800	37,616	Noakhali	...	19,925	10,516
Total	...	23,02,892	21,50,969	Balasore	...	1,43,072	81,470
				Other districts	...	45,259	35,367
				Total	...	23,02,892	21,50,969

PADDY.

Importing Districts.		1896.	1897.	Exporting Districts.		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.			Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta	...	1,33,354	2,30,244	Calcutta	...	47,231	1,15,508
Hooghly	...	35,100	25,125	Burdwan	...	10,205	60,459
Midnapore	...	1,805	10,585	Midnapore	...	36,960	76,358
24-Parganas	...	16,813	18,378	Hooghly	...	6,564	84,672
Nadia	...	59,097	1,52,060	24-Parganas	...	17,098	44,879
Rajshahi	...	64,965	87,483	Khulna	...	6,580	7,423
Faridpur	...	8,781	32,368	Dinajpur	...	82,607	71,164
Other districts	...	4,366	10,585	Rangpur...	...	2,810	16,746
				Bogra	...	45,751	28,939
				Balasore	...	51,891	54,057
				Other districts	...	16,584	7,623
Total	...	3,24,281	5,66,828	Total	...	3,24,281	5,66,828

WHEAT.

Importing districts.		1896.	1897.	Exporting districts.		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.			Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta	...	9,291	5,131	Calcutta	...	2,408	11,603
Hooghly	...	1,893	4,209	Nadia	...	7,616	3,058
24-Parganas	...	310	6,604	Other districts	...	1,983	2,741
Other districts	...	513	1,555				
Total	...	12,007	17,402	Total	...	12,007	17,402

GRAM AND PULSES.

Importing districts.		1896.	1897.	Exporting districts.		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.			Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta	...	1,88,145	2,51,905	Calcutta	...	47,812	63,504
Burdwan	...	11,377	13,105	Nadia	...	1,43,141	1,92,010
Hooghly	...	18,729	20,489	Murshidabad	...	10,260	11,568
24-Parganas	...	21,747	24,262	Jessore	...	3,972	26,970
Nadia	...	659	15,954	Pabna	...	13,093	6,949
Other districts	...	17,939	20,480	Faridpur	...	8,124	13,687
				Midnapore	...	1,521	6,060
				Rajshahi	...	8,699	7,639
				Balasore	...	7,003	4,696
				Other districts	...	14,971	13,112
Total	...	2,58,596	3,46,195	Total	...	2,58,596	3,46,195

OTHER FOOD-GRAINS.

Importing districts.		1896.	1897.	Exporting districts.		1896.	1897.
		Mds.	Mds.			Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta	...	6,499	1,391	Calcutta	...	262	2,148
Murshidabad	...	2	1,563	Nadia	...	1,823	1,498
Mymensingh	...	966	633	Murshidabad	...	3,952	15
Burdwan	...	20	375	Rajshahi	...	538	158
Nadia	...	52	274	Dinajpur	...	748	170
Rangpur	...	612	201	Dacca	...	1,036	633
Other districts	...	1,763	646	Faridpur	...	370	131
Total	...	9,914	5,083	Other districts	...	1,185	330
				Total	...	9,914	5,083

The following statement shows the total food-grain traffic between Bengal Proper and the districts comprised in the Bihar Province during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding period of 1896:—

ARTICLES.	TRADE BETWEEN BENGAL AND BIHAR.						Total.
	Imports into Bengal from—			Exports from Bengal into—			
	Patna Division.	Bhagalpur Division.	Total.	Patna Division.	Bhagalpur Division.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rice ... { 1896 ...	534	22,071	22,605	10,953	1,194	12,147	34,752
... { 1897 ...	64	12,074	12,138	3,48,572	31,196	3,79,768	3,91,906
Paddy ... { 1896 ...	...	1,839	1,839	76	22	98	1,937
... { 1897 ...	...	814	814	8,903	3,154	12,057	12,871
Wheat ... { 1896 ...	569	9,383	9,952	...	...	...	9,952
... { 1897 ...	935	16,190	17,125	...	...	...	17,125
Gram and pulses ... { 1896 ...	45,498	78,906	1,24,404	34	554	588	1,25,052
... { 1897 ...	27,373	56,579	83,952	10,675	24,809	35,484	1,19,436
Other food-grains ... { 1896 ...	13	7,502	7,515	2	1	3	7,518
... { 1897 ...	971	9,967	10,938	6,029	3,286	9,315	20,253
Total ... { 1896 ...	46,614	1,19,761	1,66,375	11,065	1,771	12,836	1,79,211
... { 1897 ...	29,343	95,624	1,24,967	3,74,179	62,445	4,36,624	5,61,591

A trifling decrease of 41,408 maunds occurred in the imports, but the export trade showed an advance of 4,23,784 maunds which was due to large despatches of rice (3,84,572 maunds against 10,953 maunds) to the Patna Division, chiefly from the Burdwan Division and Calcutta.

The inter-district trade, division by division, of the Bihar Province is illustrated in the following abstract:—

ARTICLES.			LOCAL TRADE OF THE BIHAR PROVINCE.				TOTAL.
			Exports from the Patna Division.		Exports from the Bhagalpur Division.		
			Inter-district or local trade of the Division.	To Bhagalpur Division.	Inter-district or local trade of the Division.	To Patna Division.	
1			2	3	4	5	6
			Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rice...	...	{ 1896 ...	95,941	2,030	16,539	1,35,376	2,49,886
		{ 1897 ...	26,654	631	19,160	1,36,468	1,83,313
Paddy	...	{ 1896 ...	9,039	29	1,598	48,405	59,071
		{ 1897 ...	19,217	150	2,466	63,132	84,955
Wheat	...	{ 1896 ...	2,602	139	275	8,566	11,582
		{ 1897 ...	1,991	102	258	2,091	4,442
Gram and pulses ...	...	{ 1896 ...	4,900	149	3,290	11,621	19,960
		{ 1897 ...	14,304	224	4,293	19,896	38,717
Other food-grains	...	{ 1896 ...	67,109	6,881	1,540	30,992	1,06,522
		{ 1897 ...	38,923	200	2,160	90,070	1,31,353
Total	...	{ 1896 ...	1,79,591	9,228	23,242	2,34,980	4,47,021
		{ 1897 ...	1,01,089	1,207	28,327	3,12,157	4,42,780

The local trade of the Patna Division showed a falling off of 78,502 maunds, of which 69,287 maunds occurred in rice. The exports to the districts in the Bhagalpur Division also declined by 8,021 maunds mainly under the head "Other food grains" (6,681 maunds). The local trade of the Bhagalpur Division was practically unchanged, but the exports to the Patna Division showed an increase of 77,197 maunds, which is chiefly observable under other food-grains.

Statement showing the quantities of food-grains imported into and exported from each district in the Lower Provinces carried by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	RICE.				PADDY.				WHEAT.				GRAM AND PULSE.				OTHER FOOD-GRAINS.				TOTAL.			
	Imports.		Exports.		Imports.		Exports.		Imports.		Exports.		Imports.		Exports.		Imports.		Exports.					
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Calcutta and Howrah	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
29,95,004	26,54,276	12,02,484	13,67,664	1,35,875	2,63,598	50,171	1,32,401	1,43,584	80,846	13,249	16,454	3,29,050	3,05,008	2,51,806	2,22,136	7,418	13,877	7,849	40,255	27,11,831	33,80,055	15,25,679	17,75,612	1897.
BURDWAN DIVISION—																								
Burdwan	562	6,980	85,555	2,88,027	.....	1,633	10,247	65,551	2,292	351	196	135	27,225	22,615	5,872	4,006	56	375	21	2,155	30,135	32,004	1,01,891	3,60,504
Birbhum	20	2	1,06,003	3,17,020	.....	11	5,501	6,120	25	39	.....	.....	8,835	11,114	1,135	911	7	16	.....	9,210	11,176	1,73,539	3,26,261	
Hooghly	60,367	71,598	88,333	1,04,803	35,898	25,133	5,504	84,673	1,803	4,249	279	.....	19,749	20,466	1,304	2,003	155	23	.....	1,18,053	1,21,471	96,505	1,91,510	
Midnapore	609	48,601	2,96,456	2,04,317	1,845	10,545	33,960	76,358	.....	29	.....	.....	6,401	8,879	1,521	6,660	2	1,503	.....	8,877	74,147	8,34,947	2,86,735	
Total	61,618	1,36,071	6,37,247	9,08,167	37,735	57,416	59,272	2,31,702	4,210	4,618	475	135	62,201	58,104	9,832	13,580	229	1,989	136	11,426	1,65,984	2,38,798	7,00,002	11,65,010
PRESIDENCY DIVISION—																								
24 Parganas	23,365	29,463	3,92,923	3,87,139	10,813	18,386	17,078	44,895	310	6,504	.....	40	21,797	24,270	891	3,356	563	25	.....	2	62,849	78,448	4,10,912	4,35,462
Nadia	32,780	26,251	4,396	4,396	59,601	1,62,568	1,034	1,055	.....	804	7,616	3,058	659	15,954	1,45,488	2,20,213	52	274	.....	1,96,571	1,96,571	1,01,162	2,32,317	
Murshidabad	124	162	20,767	36,144	181	1,954	85	.....	99	20	1,007	1,830	1,091	663	1,301	67,011	85	187	.....	780	1,986	41,446	1,34,705	
Jessore	1,830	9,136	13,707	9,778	162	2,451	6,788	2,331	.....	38	.....	.....	1,102	655	5,652	26,974	61	73	.....	3,168	15,383	29,100	38,145	
Khulna	45	47	13,790	10,620	.....	386	6,880	7,423	15	.....	.....	.....	563	551	2	521	.....	2	.....	20	426	966	29,372	18,584
Total	57,954	64,559	4,48,388	4,47,074	70,767	1,74,805	31,535	55,764	487	7,303	8,623	4,988	24,212	42,093	1,65,494	3,18,731	761	661	8,512	3,616	1,60,121	2,89,654	6,02,992	8,30,113
RAJSHAH DIVISION—																								
Rajshahi	3,160	1,279	2,019	455	61,965	87,483	737	879	.....	5	130	470	51	187	8,659	13,591	.....	8	.....	924	68,176	88,982	12,123	16,319
Dinajpur	353	158	40,109	44,225	22	1,271	82,641	72,162	.....	.....	.....	176	998	463	1,359	9,011	120	251	538	1,160	1,443	1,009	1,24,857	1,26,754
Jaipur	13,817	60,908	.....	125	784	1,271	.....	101	.....	.....	.....	.....	672	932	.....	.....	4,139	229	748	18	21,229	63,798	5	244
Faridpur	22,503	25,933	.....	.....	331	1,271	356	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,350	1,434	53	.....	2,569	683	.....	870	26,077	30,518	356	870
Rangpur	6,263	7,639	4,902	4,902	515	81	2,820	16,311	6	9	.....	.....	2,350	1,434	10	288	1,466	301	.....	231	10,600	9,044	3,279	22,240
Bohara	.....	66	45,189	25,644	1,006	44	46,771	25,639	.....	.....	.....	.....	159	80	13,093	6,949	188	30	.....	.....	2,479	1,966	88,981	57,871
Patna	114	831	.....	.....	1,150	1,612	.....	.....	.....	3	371	.....	1	30	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1,433	2,366	13,536	6,949
Cooch Behar	2,331	26,452	.....	.....	.....	57	.....	.....	.....	116	.....	.....	257	335	.....	.....	108	.....	.....	.....	2,609	26,961	.....	.....
Total	48,493	1,26,354	85,800	78,831	68,782	91,126	1,32,325	1,18,422	6	133	591	646	8,322	5,790	23,214	30,605	8,591	1,402	1,297	3,203	1,34,194	2,24,855	2,43,137	2,1,227
DACCA DIVISION—																								
Dacca	273	143	9,647	1,767	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	393	931	697	2,380	191	59	1,036	635	767	453	11,260	4,774
Mymensingh	2,448	808	515	502	.....	111	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	617	1,234	454	251	966	633	66	.....	4,061	2,788	1,029	649
Faridpur	2,029	6,240	7,553	2,902	8,781	32,368	1,341	260	18	21	.....	.....	894	1,353	8,124	16,787	12	24	.....	36,754	17,988	20,140	20,140	
Backergunge	58	45,293	9,50,122	8,85,092	.....	32,368	673	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	144	124	.....	265	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	48,420	9,50,547	8,84,030
Total	29,808	55,453	9,68,117	8,88,113	8,781	32,479	1,866	933	18	23	.....	2	1,988	2,861	9,175	19,713	1,160	716	1,466	832	41,764	91,535	9,80,024	9,09,493
CHITTAGONG DIVISION—																								
Chittagong	.....	.....	19,825	10,869	.....	.....	274	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	30	25	.....	175	.....	4	57	.....	30	50	20,266	10,779
Nakhal	1,940	.....	208	2,584	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,364	717	.....	203	.....	4	.....	.....	3,407	1,075	12,787	12,787
Chittagong	1,273	3,941	3,458	5,784	.....	765	.....	479	.....	2	.....	.....	8	.....	835	559	137	.....	.....	4	1,465	4,608	4,369	10,820
Tippura	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	3,178	4,257	23,557	22,997	174	765	274	484	11	19	.....	.....	1,407	742	835	937	127	8	57	4	4,892	9,821	24,725	24,725

PATNA DIVISION—

Patna	4,454	1,07,023	14,972	2,408	64	5,389	303	6,446	4,933	2,870	4,120	339	3,420	17,211	88,988	1,33,326	2,208	6,322	64,770	21,486	15,109	1,82,055	1,78,208	1,07,405
Gaya	17	2,577	6,099	2,829	.....	65	83	745	94	.....	.....	197	6,106	5,533	9,093	8,078	6,274	497	5,471	5,331	8,672	8,672	15,482	12,460
Shahabad	19,314	75,845	251	1,099	206	624	9	9,623	5,678	2	.....	1,616	3,020	2,969	34,439	26,331	2,454	615	1,380	1,380	30,082	30,082	36,109	38,624
Saran	1,12,885	1,32,240	240	4,833	25,516	30,516	.....	618	1,600	2,022	601	320	1,047	10,918	34,439	4,047	40,838	60,211	5,186	4,196	1,51,683	27,967	5,883	18,024
Champan	465	8,257	5,358	4,092	.....	2,382	3,932	1,777	.....	.....	.....	1,297	1,375	14	19	131	848	7,065	5,335	1,646	17,588	15,243	15,243	
Muzaffarpur	60,475	68,014	48,464	8,464	619	16,592	941	2,794	640	1,694	414	77	1,596	3,688	72	232	17,830	38,349	11,443	8,357	86,669	1,88,457	61,552	16,444
Darbhanga	46,380	79,688	38,500	13,654	25,223	35,730	4,415	7,849	1,092	1,694	1,206	22	2,374	4,471	2,421	2,135	20,202	28,294	62,465	28,765	98,881	1,88,274	1,09,117	52,425
Total	2,44,130	5,24,204	1,14,452	37,419	59,108	91,408	9,833	23,532	113,937	6,829	6,353	3,598	17,938	44,894	1,35,523	1,74,300	99,652	1,41,413	1,60,819	74,390	4,94,765	8,07,808	4,17,029	3,13,919
BHAGALPUR DIVISION—																								
Monohyr	10,547	37,328	5,263	5,612	294	1,057	1,261	2,560	190	7	9,965	7,643	1,278	577	40,238	65,364	6,580	763	29,545	71,014	24,859	89,782	92,272	1,52,093
Bhagalpur	491	3,466	1,63,344	46	46	1,124	43,537	63,353	2	102	4,992	6,087	1,503	5,616	54,488	50,886	1,159	576	63,245	1,10,264	3,132	11,454	3,21,861	3,53,934
Purnea	121	632	23,046	10,433	100	680	7,812	4,972	.....	.....	1,204	5	735	203	10,880	8,738	385	1,455	.....	.....	1,321	2,870	44,818	19,788
Maida	200	.....	339	308	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	435	.....	661	280	.....	.....	.....	.....	635	.....	2,914	783
South Parganas	2,483	11,195	19,252	17,483	1,240	2,899	72	1,219	222	251	6,192	5,825	1,142	22,863	66,431	1,65,619	330	2,895	17,248	20,444	5,432	40,073	1,09,205	2,10,592
Total	19,763	53,021	213,179	1,87,199	1,649	5,760	52,732	72,104	414	300	23,205	19,660	5,099	29,329	1,78,545	2,85,907	8,434	5,659	1,02,706	2,01,682	35,359	94,129	5,70,870	7,65,552
ORISSA DIVISION—																								
Cuttack	.....	.....	.....	1,216	.....	.....	.....	54,057	142	287	.....	.....	979	.....	7,003	4,896	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,135	2,750	2,01,966	1,210
Balasore	14	782	1,43,072	81,470	.....	691	51,891	4,317	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	305	.....	28	.....	140	.....	.....	.....	547	.....	1,40,233
Puri	.....	19	.....	2,257	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,694
Total	14	801	1,43,072	84,943	.....	691	51,891	58,374	142	290	.....	.....	979	1,355	7,003	4,794	.....	140	.....	2	1,135	3,277	2,01,966	1,43,043
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION—																								
Hazaribagh	20,028	22,841	254	32	.....	.....	.....	102	333	118	.....	.....	2,414	3,181	1,437	1,793	26	426	.....	.....	22,821	94,596	1,031	1,849
Manbhum	15,154	22,273	103	3,439	.....	116	.....	150	21	424	.....	88	6,122	15,425	431	534	90	50	.....	.....	21,607	38,948	1,031	1,849
Singbhum	12,507	3,412	149	16,419	.....	.....	.....	10	382	639	.....	.....	2,903	1,866	.....	23	.....	105	.....	.....	15,792	5,913	149	16,402
Total	47,689	48,450	508	19,930	.....	116	.....	262	936	1,072	.....	88	11,439	20,472	1,868	2,272	116	531	.....	47	60,180	70,737	2,376	22,599
GRAND TOTAL	30,07,546	36,68,412	38,36,834	40,41,887	3,88,861	6,98,224	3,89,948	6,94,298	1,83,686	1,00,566	52,806	45,813	4,83,535	5,73,701	7,83,777	10,72,905	1,26,488	1,66,306	2,72,802	3,35,457	37,50,325	82,07,389	53,35,885	61,90,390

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice of steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897,

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORT					
	* CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.					
	By rail.	By inland- steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
* Calcutta and Howrah—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
By country boats ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
By road ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—						
Burdwan ... 1896	32,800	257	4,846	...	...	37,903
... 1897	29,255	1,073	5,186	...	...	35,514
Birbhum ... 1896	94,566	...	...	...	...	94,566
... 1897	3,695	...	...	...	...	3,695
Midnapore ... 1896	...	45,393	2,51,063	...	...	2,96,456
... 1897	...	24,377	1,1,940	...	...	2,04,317
Hooghly ... 1896	55	...	84,363	3,908	...	88,326
... 1897	278	...	90,593	4,605	...	1,04,476
Total ... 1896	1,27,421	45,650	3,40,272	3,908	...	5,17,251
... 1897	33,228	25,450	2,84,719	4,605	...	3,48,002
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—						
24 Parganas ... 1896	4,566	...	2,78,296	1,10,015	...	3,92,877
... 1897	6,380	...	2,64,984	1,14,939	...	3,86,303
Nadia ... 1896	1,227	1	2,931	...	...	4,159
... 1897	651	40	3,671	...	...	4,362
Murshidabad ... 1896	19,570	...	33	...	...	19,603
... 1897	1,847	...	370	...	...	2,217
Jessore ... 1896	21	...	15,517	...	...	15,538
... 1897	...	...	9,420	...	...	9,420
Khulna ... 1896	6,754	...	5,256	...	...	12,010
... 1897	2,875	...	1,150	...	...	4,025
Total ... 1896	32,138	1	3,02,033	1,10,015	...	4,44,187
... 1897	11,753	40	2,79,596	1,14,939	...	4,06,327
Rajshahi Division—						
Rajshahi ... 1896	73	...	296	...	...	369
... 1897	16	...	...	...	...	16
Dinajpur ... 1896	877	...	...	...	...	877
... 1897	3	...	...	...	...	3
Jalpaiguri ... 1896	1	...	...	...	...	1
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	2,544	...	...	2,544
Bogra ... 1896	250	...	...	...	...	250
... 1897	2	...	...	...	...	12
Fabna ... 1896	...	...	72	...	...	72
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896	1,201	...	368	...	...	1,569
... 1897	21	...	2,544	...	...	2,565

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta all stations of the

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896.

ING DISTRICTS.

BURDWAN DIVISION EXCLUDING HOWRAH.					PRESIDENCY DIVISION EXCLUDING CALCUTTA.					
Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Midnapore.	Hoochly.	Total.	24 Parganas.	Nadia.	Murshidabad.	Jessore.	Khulna.	Total.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
...	48	147	...	132	3	330
305	58	363	273	4,667	63	2,773	...	7,776
13	...	78	10	101	...	...	...	...	...	...
14	14	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	591	21,630	22,221	7,114	3,335	...	...	...	10,449
631	...	58,091	40,338	99,060	14,472	2,193	...	1,945	25	18,635
...	6,000	6,000	9,528	...	...	...	...	9,528
...	7,464	7,464	9,405	...	...	...	...	9,405
...
...
13	...	669	27,640	28,322	16,690	3,482	...	132	3	20,307
930	...	58,091	47,860	1,06,901	24,150	6,860	63	4,718	25	35,816
...	13,709	13,709	5,265	1,038	...	91	...	6,394
...	20,830	20,830	4,501	10,111	11	410	...	15,033
50	17,265	17,315	975	18	124	...	...	1,117
178	1,712	1,890	340	117	43	...	...	509
...
...
5	5	191	10	...	...	...	201
50	30,974	31,024	6,240	1,056	124	91	...	7,511
183	22,542	22,725	5,041	10,238	54	410	...	15,743
...	30	...	...	...	30
...	8	8	...	103	...	177	22	302
...	14	14	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	14	...	...	4	...	18
25	20	...	1,006	1,141	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	1,100	1,106	39	389	...	...	...	428
...	169	...	...	...	169
...	355	...	...	...	355
...	32	141	...	1,607	...	1,780
...	2,229	...	3,816	...	6,045
25	20	...	1,110	1,155	32	340	...	1,607	...	1,979
6	1,108	1,114	53	3,076	...	3,297	29	7,148
...	21	21	211	1,391	...	...	...	1,602
...	13	322	...	...	...	335
...	99	2,391	...	...	...	2,490
...	5	...	...	...	5
...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
...
...
...	268	...	...	...	268
...	161	...	...	...	161
...	139	139	...	21,937	...	...	45	21,982
...	8	8	...	4,445	...	11	...	4,456
...
...
...	164	164	310	25,987	...	...	45	26,342
...	3	3	13	4,933	...	11	...	4,957

Calcutta Port Trust Railway, Howrah, Sealdah and Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice of steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897,

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORT								
	RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								
	Rajshahi.	Dinaipur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Pabna.	Cooch Behar.	Total.
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
* Calcutta and Howrah—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail ... { 1896	8	...	4	37	40	...	86	10	185
... { 1897	2	...	4,434	1,621	525	56	589	2,628	9,835
„ inland steamer ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	86	...	...	...	86
„ country boats ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	20
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	4,045	...	80	...	4,125
„ road ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ sea ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	8	...	4	37	40	...	106	10	205
... { 1897	2	...	4,434	1,621	4,656	56	669	2,628	14,066
Burhwan Division, excluding Howrah—									
Burdwan ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	15,528	1,425	834	...	238	4,876	22,901
Birbhum ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	6,874	1,738	48	...	...	5,509	14,169
Midnapore ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	34
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	22,402	3,163	882	...	238	10,419	37,104
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—									
24 Parganas ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	398	2	...	...	...	...	400
Nadia ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	16
Murshidabad ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	210	210
Jessore ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	398	2	...	...	16	210	626
Rajshahi Division—									
Rajshahi ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	104
... { 1897	...	...	103	...	1	...	...	...	32,115
Dinaipur ... { 1896	667	...	8,797	17,545	3,778	...	6	1,320	41,487
... { 1897	127	...	17,094	12,918	1,349	...	...	9,999	...
Jalpaiguri ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125
... { 1897	...	...	...	111	14	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	134	134
... { 1897	18	17	1,018	4	...	...	8	167	1,332
Bogra ... { 1896	2,485	...	686	1,593	603	...	...	277	5,644
... { 1897	1,089	...	11,856	8,051	664	...	...	211	21,371
Pabna ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	3,162	...	9,483	19,138	4,381	...	8	1,731	37,893
... { 1897	1,234	17	30,071	21,084	2,028	...	8	10,377	64,819

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta all stations of the

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NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		IMPORTING												
		BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.		
		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonthal Parganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.
		45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
Calcutta* and Howrah—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	4,565	1,868	...	...	849	7,282	...	...	...	...	1,992	1	...
„ inland steamer	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ country boat	1896	...	8	...	200	...	208	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	781	781	...	...	...
„ road	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ sea	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	14	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	8	...	200	...	208	...	...	14	14	...	...	...
	1897	4,565	1,868	...	...	849	7,282	...	...	782	782	1,992	1	...
Burdwan Division, (including Howrah—		508	6	7	...	11	532	...	...	...	...	13,140	9,476	13
Burdwan	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	6,460	192	1	...	2,815	9,468	...	...	...	...	15,141	19,574	238
Birbhum	1896	20	148	26	...	195	389	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	3,701	496	...	...	5,488	9,684	...	...	...	...	87	92	...
Midnapore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly	1896	...	...	...	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	1	15	...	...	4	20	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Total	1896	528	154	33	...	210	925	...	...	...	...	13,140	9,476	13
	1897	10,162	702	1	...	8,307	19,172	...	...	...	...	15,232	19,666	238
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24 Parganas	1896	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	2,003	...	...	...	372	3,065	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	2,708	...	...	...	372	3,080	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi Division—		...	...	...	...	24	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur	1896	...	...	33	...	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	623	398	...	275	1,296	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	100	42	...	...	142	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	33	...	24	57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	723	440	...	275	1,438	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta all stations of the

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland
as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—continued.

DISTRICTS.

Total.	Total of the provinces the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	OTHER PROVINCES.														Grand Total.
		Assam.	North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Panjab.	Central Prov. Inces.	Rajputana and Central India.	Berar.	Nizam's Terri- tory.	Bombay.	Madras.	Burma.	Mysore.	Other Indian Ports.	Sindh.	Other Foreign Ports.	
58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
...	10,142	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,193
1,993	1,05,405	14,050	4,38,254	71,964	1,941	3,611	85	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,38,336
...	505	22,089	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22,594
...	1,495	31,514	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33,009
...	33,057	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33,057
...	1,70,899	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,70,999
...	15,528	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,528
...	16,869	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,869
...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,23,458	1,03,428	3,028	...	1	...	8,91,183	11,91,119
...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18,767	42	3,645	...	...	...	4,88,610	5,11,451
...	59,946	22,140	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,23,458	1,03,428	3,028	...	1	...	8,91,183	12,02,494
1,993	2,94,669	45,664	4,38,254	71,964	1,941	3,611	85	...	18,793	428	3,645	...	...	...	1,88,610	13,67,664
22,628	83,927	...	35	...	589	685	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	85,555
34,956	2,45,233	...	4,780	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,88,027
...	1,21,308	...	45,597	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,66,903
179	1,65,677	...	1,45,34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,11,020
...	2,96,456	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,96,456
...	2,04,317	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,04,317
...	88,330	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	88,333
1	1,01,803	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,04,803
22,628	5,90,021	...	45,945	...	597	685	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,37,247
35,136	7,20,030	...	1,88,122	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,08,167
...	3,92,923	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,92,923
...	3,87,139	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,87,139
...	5,201	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,201
...	4,39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,396
...	20,767	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20,767
...	25,214	...	9,93	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35,144
...	15,707	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,707
...	9,775	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,775
...	13,790	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13,790
...	10,620	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,620
...	4,48,388	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,48,388
...	4,57,144	...	9,930	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,47,074
...	2,017	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,019
...	455	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	455
...	37,078	3,027	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40,109
...	42,947	1,278	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44,225
...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
...	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125
...
...	406	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	406
...	4,312	386	2,4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,902
...	42,660	629	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45,189
...	28,250	394	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28,644
...	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72
...
...
...	82,158	3,656	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	85,800
...	76,089	2,058	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78,351

Port Trust Railway, Howrah, Sealdah and Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice of steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897,

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	IMPORTING					
	CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.					
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Dacca Division—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca { 1896	...	...	7,305	...	...	7,305
... .. { 1897	...	...	933	...	...	933
Mymensingh { 1896	...	...	500	...	...	500
... .. { 1897	...	...	300	...	...	300
Faridpur { 1896	...	...	7,832	...	...	7,832
... .. { 1897	...	...	2,400	...	...	2,400
Backergunge { 1896	6,523	9,377	9,34,222	...	...	9,50,122
... .. { 1897	14,326	6,241	8,62,149	...	...	8,82,716
Total { 1896	6,523	9,377	9,49,859	...	...	9,65,759
... .. { 1897	14,326	6,241	8,65,782	...	...	8,86,349
Chittagong Division—						
Tippera { 1896	...	...	2,700	...	...	2,700
... .. { 1897	...	...	775	...	...	775
Noakhali { 1896	51	...	17,500	...	...	17,551
... .. { 1897	...	...	7,295	...	...	7,295
Chittagong { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	18	...	...	...	...	18
Total { 1896	51	...	20,200	...	...	20,251
... .. { 1897	18	...	8,070	...	...	8,088
Patna Division—						
Patna { 1896	442	...	2	...	...	444
... .. { 1897	23	...	...	...	...	23
Gaya { 1896	1	...	...	...	...	1
... .. { 1897	5	...	...	...	...	5
Shahabad { 1896	6	...	...	...	...	6
... .. { 1897	2	...	...	...	...	2
Saran { 1896	44	...	...	...	...	44
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran { 1896	1	...	...	...	...	1
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur { 1896	7	...	...	...	...	7
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1896	501	...	2	...	...	503
... .. { 1897	30	...	...	...	...	30
Bhagalpur Division—						
Monghyr... .. { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	5
... .. { 1897	5	...	...	...	...	243
Bhagalpur { 1896	10	...	243	...	...	5
... .. { 1897	5	...	...	...	...	4
Purnea { 1896	4	...	...	...	...	4
... .. { 1897	4	...	...	...	...	359
Masda { 1896	...	...	359	...	...	305
... .. { 1897	5	...	300	...	...	1,743
Sonthal Parganas { 1896	1,743	27
... .. { 1897	27	2,359
Total { 1896	1,757	...	602	346
... .. { 1897	46	...	300

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NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		IMPORTING								
		RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								
		Rajshahi.	Dinalpur.	Jaipalguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Fabna.	Cooch Behar.	Total.
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Dacca Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Faridpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Backergunge	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—										
Tippera	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42
Noakhali	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42
Patna Division—										
Patna	{ 1896	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	26
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	26
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division—										
Monghyr	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	{ 1896	...	...	171	1,061	21	...	...	...	1,253
	{ 1897	...	...	...	715	...	...	...	...	715
Purnea	{ 1896	...	303	4,159	2,243	1,794	...	...	590	9,089
	{ 1897	1	141	3,601	2,336	55	...	...	2,673	8,807
Malda	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	27
	{ 1897	...	...	...	12	18	...	...	145	175
Total	{ 1896	...	303	4,330	3,304	1,842	...	...	590	10,369
	{ 1897	1	141	3,601	3,063	73	...	...	2,818	9,697

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—continued.

DISTRICTS.

DACCA DIVISION.					CHITTAGONG DIVISION.					PATNA DIVISION.							
Dacca.	Mymensingh.	Fasidpur.	Backergunge.	Total.	Tippura.	Noakhail.	Chittagong.	Total.	Patna.	Gaya.	Shahabad.	Saran.	Champanan.	Muzaffarpur.	Darbhanga.	Total.	
28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
...	2,322	...	...	2,322	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	792	...	...	792	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	
...	
...	
...	...	64	...	64	...	...	118	118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	2,322	1	...	2,328	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	792	64	...	856	...	...	118	118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
84	84	...	...	640	640	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1,668	...	1,668	...	...	167	167	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	49	1,065	...	1,260	2,325	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	3,160	...	61	3,221	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	208	...	...	208	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
91	91	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
133	133	1,273	...	1,900	3,173	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
91	...	1,668	...	1,759	3,166	...	228	3,394	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	3,221	56	...	27	6	3,510	
...	108	566	12	...	...	49	735	
...	2,541	...	3,363	115	...	...	6	6,025	
...	1,398	...	...	1,301	...	...	...	2,699	
...	
...	379	...	...	...	...	...	...	379	
...	7	...	7	...	20	11	...	45	
...	1,173	8	1,181	
...	70	...	17	2,508	...	492	255	3,342	
...	2	...	12	349	...	121	7	401	
...	4	...	10	46,480	...	...	626	47,12	
...	23	...	24	7,380	594	...	371	8,392	
...	88	...	...	18,624	30	17,348	...	36,099	
...	41	...	41	5,494	4	7,197	...	12,777	
...	2,710	...	6,618	67,783	59	17,878	893	95,941	
...	1,843	108	643	14,536	598	8,491	435	26,654	
...	
...	98	...	38	168	...	15	10	333	
...	615	...	346	1,129	...	645	1,638	4,271	
...	15	...	1,794	40,120	406	42,582	45,310	1,30,227	
...	1,767	...	465	24,675	1,114	39,123	57,689	1,24,833	
...	190	...	479	3,010	...	...	171	3,850	
...	98	376	...	173	271	918	
...	
...	893	...	63	8	...	...	...	964	
...	2,455	54	1,687	2,400	...	...	350	6,946	
...	1,196	...	2,374	43,506	406	42,597	45,497	1,35,376	
...	4,857	51	2,596	28,580	1,114	59,841	59,946	56,968	

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice by steamer, country boat, road and by sea, during the month of January 1897.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		BHAGALPUR DIVISION.					ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				IMPORTING
		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonthal Parganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	
		45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Dacca Division—															
Dacca { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Faridpur { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Backergunge { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—															
Tippera { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna Division—															
Patna { 1896		273	...	...	...	377	650	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		16	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	34	...	...
Gaya { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur { 1896		163	...	...	...	...	163	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		4	...	...	...	4	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga { 1896		1,217	...	...	...	...	1,217	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		422	50	26	...	...	507	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1896		1,653	...	...	...	577	2,030	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	...
... .. { 1897		442	59	26	...	4	531	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division—															
Monghyr { 1896		...	33	...	...	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	93	...	...	6	99	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...
Bhagalpur { 1896		13,829	...	47	...	217	14,093	...	...	...	...	...	340	...	...
... .. { 1897		17,468	...	55	...	51	17,564	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Purnea { 1896		16	194	...	...	1,660	1,870	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		70	...	...	...	581	651	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda { 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas { 1896		521	18	4	...	...	543	...	...	...	...	...	6,406	...	111
... .. { 1897		795	41	10	...	...	846	...	...	...	...	...	1,840	...	111
Total { 1896		14,366	245	51	...	1,877	16,539	...	...	...	...	...	6,838	...	40
... .. { 1897		18,323	134	65	...	638	19,160	...	...	...	...	...	1,840	...	...

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice of steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897.

		IMPORTING					
		CALCUTTA* AND HOWRAH.					
NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.	Total.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7
Orissa Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Outtack ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	1,216	...	...	1,216
Puri ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore...	{ 1896	...	...	792	...	1,42,280	1,43,072
	{ 1897	...	...	1,629	...	79,841	81,470
Total	{ 1896	...	...	792	...	1,42,280	1,43,072
	{ 1897	...	...	2,845*	...	79,841	82,686
Chota Nagpur Division—							
Hazaribagh ...	{ 1896	4	...	...	...	...	4
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	23	...	...	...	...	23
Singhbhum ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	8	...	...	...	...	8
Total	{ 1896	4	...	...	...	...	4
	{ 1897	31	...	...	...	...	31
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	{ 1896	1,69,596	55,928	16,14,128	1,13,923	1,42,280	20,94,955
	{ 1897	59,453	31,731	14,43,855	1,19,544	79,841	17,34,424
Other Provinces—							
Assam ...	{ 1896	...	18	...	...	...	18
	{ 1897	...	...	750	...	...	750
North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	{ 1896	6	...	...	...	...	6
	{ 1897	10	...	...	...	...	10
Punjab ...	{ 1896	5	...	...	...	...	5
	{ 1897	29	...	...	...	...	29
Central Provinces	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	108	...	...	...	...	108
Rajputana and Central India	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	2,060	2,060
Mysore ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sindh ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma ...	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	9,16,870	9,16,870
Other places	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	20	20
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	5	5
GRAND TOTAL	{ 1896	1,69,607	55,046	16,14,128	1,13,923	1,42,300	20,95,004
	{ 1897	59,600	31,731	14,44,605	1,19,544	9,98,796	20,54,276

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, all stations of the

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IMPORTING									
NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								
	Rajshahi.	Dinajpur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Pabna.	Cooch Behar.	Total.
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Orissa Division—									
Cuttack { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota Nagpur Division—									
Hazaribagh { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singbhum { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	1896 3,160	303	13,817	22,505	6,263	...	114	2,331	48,493
	1897 1,279	158	60,906	28,933	7,639	56	931	26,459	1,36,351
Other Provinces—									
Assam { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North-Western Provinces and Oudh. { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panjab { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India. { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sindh { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma { 1897 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other places { 1896 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL { 1897	3,160	303	13,817	22,505	6,263	...	114	2,331	48,493
	1,279	158	60,906	28,933	7,639	56	931	26,459	1,36,351

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Rice of
steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of May 1897.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORTING												
	BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.		
	Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonhal ganag.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singhbhum.
	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
Orissa Division—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Cuttack	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota Nagpur Division—													
Hazaribagh	1896	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...
1897	195	...	...	...	...	200	...	...	...	...	77	...	...
Singhbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	143	...
1897	24	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	568	1,514	...
Total	1896	...	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	50	143	...
1897	219	...	...	...	...	224	...	...	...	...	645	1,514	...
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	1896	16,547	407	121	200	2,488	19,763	...	...	14	14	20,028	9,729
1897	16,419	3,486	532	...	10,450	50,887	...	...	782	782	19,743	21,291	...
Other Provinces—													
Assam	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	105	...	...	...	105	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panjab	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	900	375	...	...	742	2,029	...	...	...	...	3,008	1,012	...
Rajputana and Central India	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	19	...	...	...
Mysore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sindh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other places	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL	1896	16,547	407	121	200	2,488	19,763	...	...	14	14	20,028	15,154
1897	17,328	3,966	532	...	11,195	53,021	...	19	782	801	22,841	22,933	...

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—conold.

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Paddy of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897 as compared with the corresponding month of the preceding year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	*CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION, EXCLUDING HOWRAH.				NAMES OF DESTINATION.
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Midnapore.	Hooghly.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
*Calcutta and Howrah—											
By rail	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer	1896	...	...	...	...	...	80	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,805	15,829	...
By country boats	1896	...	...	...	...	...	1,409	...	10,585	8,037	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,745	...
By road	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,308	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	1,549	...	10,585	25,004	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,346	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah.											
Burdwan	1896	1,639	58	3,571	...	5,268	...	...	...	4,733	...
1897	24,239	91	8,023	...	...	32,356	...	7	...	8,089	...
Birbhum	1896	698	...	...	...	698	...	...	...	4,377	...
1897	813	...	...	...	...	813	3	...	...	19	...
Midnapore	1896	...	1,805	35,035	...	36,840	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	12,537	63,821	...	...	76,358	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly	1896	140	...	2,309	4,115	6,564	...	...	...	...	...
1897	4,533	...	18,030	4,583	...	27,151	5	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	2,477	1,923	50,975	4,115	49,490	...	...	...	9,439	...
1897	29,590	12,628	89,877	4,583	...	1,36,678	8	7	...	8,812	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta.											
24 Parganas	1896	...	...	11,311	5,696	16,917	...	...	...	...	...
1897	1,485	...	24,321	5,808	...	31,614	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia	1896	...	3	705	...	708	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	746	...	...	746	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	1896	...	...	6,779	...	6,779	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	1,650	...	...	1,650	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna	1896	18	...	5,651	...	5,668	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	4,850	...	...	4,850	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	18	3	24,445	5,696	30,672	...	21	...	...	...
1897	1,485	...	31,567	5,808	...	38,860	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi Division—											
Rajshahi	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra	1896	120	...	...	...	126	...	11	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	126	...	...	...	126	...	11	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta and the district of Calcutta.

Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and the figures for the corresponding period of 1896.

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PRESIDENCY DIVISION, EXCLUDING CALCUTTA.					RAJSHAHI DIVISION.									
Nadia.	Murshidabad.	Jessore.	Khulna.	Total.	Rajshahi.	Dinajpur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Pabna.	Cooch Behar.		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
2,577	2,577	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
38,966	...	166	...	39,132	1,809	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	8,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,444	8,118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8,319	270	1,481	...	19,979	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	...	5	...	7,783	...	...	...	...	...	...	776	...	776
...	6,674	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	
5,932	...	5	...	18,782	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47,285	270	1,647	...	65,785	9,809	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	776	...	10,585	
...	184	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15,867	17,636	98	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	181	...	...	369	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	98
15	635	...	...	650	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	
44,78	...	21	...	44,399	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	181	...	...	553	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
60,260	635	21	...	62,685	104	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	104	
12,243	...	424	396	13,063	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	...	53	...	79	...	...	...	...	...	128	...	...	128
...	36	...	...	36	
...	
...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
741	741	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	157	...	912	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,151	...	336	...	2,487	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	157	...	921	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15,135	...	813	396	16,370	...	...	...	...	...	128	...	...	128
...	36	...	...	36	
44	44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
359	359	...	...	...	...	...	693	...	...	693	
32,310	32,310	44,094	...	...	...	...	297	223	...	520	
18,184	18,184	49,139	...	784	115	404	...	...	...	46,297	
...	141	...	20	...	...	...	49,300	
...	
356	356	...	...	...	...	...	...	101	...	101	
...	
302	302	620	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2,171	2,171	10,791	26	...	...	...	...	1,189	...	1,779	
21,047	22,979	19,351	29	...	...	...	...	512	57	11,386	
8,549	8,549	17,640	...	1,130	...	111	...	...	...	19,700	
...	18,770	
...	
...	
54,059	55,991	64,965	22	784	331	515	693	1,159	...	68,469	
29,263	29,263	77,670	26	1,271	...	20	397	836	57	80,077	

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Paddy of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897 as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		DACCA DIVISION.					CHITTAGONG DIVISION.			
		Dacca.	Mymensingh.	Faridpur.	Backergunge.	Total.	Tippah.	Noakhali.	Chittagong.	Total.
		28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
Calcutta and Howrah—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail	1896	...	...	1,040	...	1,040	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	111	9,207	...	9,318	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By country boats	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	750	...	...	...
By road	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	1,040	...	1,040	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	111	9,207	...	9,318	750	...	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah.										
Burdwan	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	1,563	...	1,563	...	...	...	...
Birbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	13,111	...	13,111	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	14,674	...	14,674	...	...	...	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta.										
24 Parganas	1896	...	...	181	...	181	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	196	...	196	...	...	...	...
Nadia	1896	...	...	198	...	198	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	194	...	194	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	86	...	86	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	379	...	379	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	476	...	476	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi Division—										
Rajshahi	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur	1896	...	...	4,000	...	4,000	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	3,680	...	3,680	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	1896	...	...	729	...	729	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	2,189	...	2,189	...	...	...	...
Bogra	1896	...	...	2,633	...	2,633	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	1,604	...	1,604	...	...	...	...
Pabna	1896
	1897
Cooch Behar	1896
	1897
Total	1896	7,362	...	7,362
	1897	7,473	...	7,473

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by sea during the month of January 1897, as com

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				Grand Total of the provinces under the Indian Revenue.
		Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
COAL DIVISION—	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
CHITTAGONG DIVISION—	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
PATNA DIVISION—	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
BHAGALPUR DIVISION—	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
ORISSA DIVISION—	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Paddy of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		* CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION EXCLUDING HOWRAH.				
		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hoochly.	Midnapore.	Total.
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Nagpur Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
ariabagh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	116	...	16	...	...
Singhbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	126	...	16	...	...
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCES UNDER THE LIQUOR-LICENSING ACT—		1896	3,158	1,926	74,047	9,721	45,039	1,35,891	...	32	35,898	1,805
GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.		1897	31,224	12,628	1,24,694	10,391	51,307	2,30,244	1,683	15	25,133	10,585
Other Provinces—												
Assam	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N.-W. Provinces and Oudh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panjab	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	1896	...	...	...	...	1,984	1,984	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	10,373	10,373	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burmah	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	22,981	22,981	...	...	...	...	...
Sind	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Foreign Ports	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL		1896	3,158	1,926	74,047	9,721	47,023	1,35,875	...	32	35,898	1,805
		1897	31,224	12,628	1,24,694	10,391	84,661	2,63,598	1,683	15	25,133	10,585

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta all stations and the surrounding area.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Paddy of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		Dacca Division.					CHITTAGONG DIVISION.				Total.
		Dacca.	Mymensingh.	Faridpur.	Backergunge.	Total.	Tippera.	Noakhali.	Chittagong.		
		28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35		
Dacca Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Barisal	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.		1896	...	8,781	...	8,781	174	...	...	...
		1897	111	32,368	...	32,479	755	4	6	...	
Other Provinces—											
Assam	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N.-W. Provinces and Oudh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Panjab	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burmah	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sind	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Foreign Ports	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL		1896	...	8,781	...	8,781	174	...	...	...
		1897	111	32,368	...	32,479	755	4	6	...	

Statement showing the sources of supply and places of destination in respect of the trade in Paddy of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF IMPORTING PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.									
ORISSA DIVISION.					CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				
Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.		
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Chota Nagpur Division —									
Hazaribagh ... 1896
... 1897
Manbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Singbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896
... 1897
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL.									
1896	691	691	...	116	...	116	3,88,800
1897	691	691	...	116	...	116	6,94,500
Other Provinces —									
Assam ... 1896
... 1897
N.-W. Provinces and Oudh ... 1896	1,00,000
... 1897
Panjab ... 1896
... 1897
Central Provinces ... 1896
... 1897
Rajputana and Central India 1896
... 1897
Berar ... 1896
... 1897
Nizam's Territory ... 1896
... 1897
Bombay ... 1896
... 1897
Madras ... 1896	1,00,000
... 1897
Mysore ... 1896
... 1897
Burmah ... 1896
... 1897
Sind ... 1896
... 1897
Other Foreign Ports ... 1896
... 1897
GRAND TOTAL									
1896	691	691	...	116	...	116	3,88,800
1897	691	691	...	116	...	116	6,94,500

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OTHER PROVINCES.

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the district by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	*CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.					BURDWAN DIVISION EXCLUDING HOWRAH.					Total
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hooghly.	Midnapore.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Calcutta and Howrah—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail ... 1896
... 1897	15	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer ... 1896
... 1897	16	...
By country boats ... 1896	78	...	...
... 1897	1,045	13	...
By road ... 1896	1,815	...	...
... 1897	2,172	...	...
By sea ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896	1,893	...	...
... 1897	15	...	3,817	29	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—											
Burdwan ... 1896	141	...	...	141	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...
Birbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Hooghly ... 1896	279	...	...	279	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897
Midnapur ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896	420	...	...	420	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—											
24 Parganas ... 1896
... 1897	40	...	40	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia ... 1896	33	12	7,318	...	...	7,363	253	...	...	...	...
... 1897	3,058	...	...	3,058	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad ... 1896	1,007	...	...	1,007	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	738	...	685	...	...	1,423	...	12	392	...	...
Jessore ... 1896
... 1897
Khulna ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896	33	12	8,325	...	...	8,370	253	...	...	...	...
... 1897	738	...	3,743	40	...	4,521	...	12	399	...	...
Rajshahi Division—											
Raichak ... 1896	130	...	...	130	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	470	...	...	470	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur ... 1896
... 1897	120	...	...	120	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri ... 1896
... 1897
Darjeeling ... 1896
... 1897
Rangpur ... 1896
... 1897
Bogra ... 1896
... 1897
Pabna ... 1896	371	...	...	371	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897
Cooch Behar ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896	501	501
... 1897	590	590

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

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OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	DACCA DIVISION.					CHITTAGONG DIVISION.			
	Dacca.	Mymensingh.	Faridpur.	Backergunge.	Total.	Tippah.	Noakhali.	Chittagong.	Total.
	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
and Howrah—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail ... { 1896 ... 1897	18	...	18	...	...	...	...
By land steamer ... { 1896 ... 1897	2	21	...	23	...	17	...	...
By country boats ... { 1896 ... 1897
By road ... { 1896 ... 1897	11	...
By sea ... { 1896 ... 1897
Total ... { 1896 ... 1897	2	18 21	...	18 23	...	17	11	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—									
Burdwan ... { 1896 ... 1897
Birbhum ... { 1896 ... 1897
Hooghly ... { 1896 ... 1897
Midnapur ... { 1896 ... 1897
Total ... { 1896 ... 1897
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—									
24 Parganas ... { 1896 ... 1897
Nadia ... { 1896 ... 1897
Murshidabad ... { 1896 ... 1897
Jessore ... { 1896 ... 1897
Khulna ... { 1896 ... 1897
Total ... { 1896 ... 1897
Rajshahi Division—									
Rajshahi ... { 1896 ... 1897
Dinajpur ... { 1896 ... 1897
Jalpaiguri ... { 1896 ... 1897
Darjeeling ... { 1896 ... 1897
Rangpur ... { 1896 ... 1897
Bogra ... { 1896 ... 1897
Pubna ... { 1896 ... 1897
Cooch Behar ... { 1896 ... 1897
Total ... { 1896 ... 1897

*Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

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PATNA DIVISION.							BHAGALPUR DIVISION.							
	Gaya.	Shahabad.	Saran.	Champaran.	Muzaffarpur.	Darbhanga.	Total.		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonthal Par- ganah.	Total.
	35	39	40	41	42	43	44		45	46	47	48	49	50
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the district by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				Total of the places under the names of the districts.
		Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	
		51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	
Calcutta and Howrah—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By country boats ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By road ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea ...	1896	...	...	142	142	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	267	267	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896	...	...	142	142	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	267	267	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—										
Burdwan ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	55	...	55	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	75	40	115	...
Birbhum ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapur ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	55	...	55	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	75	40	115	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—										
24 Parganas ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi Division—										
Rajshahi ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta and the district of Calcutta.

Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—contd.

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OTHER PROVINCES.

	North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Punjab.	Central Pro- vinces.	Rajputana and Central India.	Berar.	Nizam's Terri- tory.	Bombay.	Madras.	Burma.	Mysore.	Sind.	Other Foreign Ports.	
	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
1895	2,419												
1896													
1897													140
1898													138
1899													3,828
1900													2,065
1901													7,298
1902								166	7,098			2,929	10,346
1903								1	1,303			260	1,621
1904	2,419							166	7,098			2,929	13,249
1905								1	1,303			260	16,456
1906													196
1907													135
1908													
1909													279
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1911													
1912													475
1913													135
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1915													40
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1918													7,616
1919													3,058
1920													1,007
1921													1,830
1922													
1923													
1924													8,693
1925													4,928
1926													
1927													130
1928													470
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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the districts by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF IMPORTING DISTRICTS.		CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION, EXCLUDING HOWRAH.				
		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hoghly.	Midnapore.	Total.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mymensingh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—												
Tippera	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna Division—												
Patna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	728	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	728	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	203	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	203	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	1896	...	...	400	...	...	400	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Total		...	...	400	...	...	400	9	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division—												
Monghyr	1896	1,103	...	657	...	...	1,760	1,090	...	...	...	...
	1897	4,743	...	165	...	...	4,903	78	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	1896	1,465	...	100	...	...	1,565	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	4,976	...	...	...	...	4,976	...	...	...	...	...
Purnea	1896	...	...	142	...	...	142	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda	1896	...	...	1,994	...	...	1,994	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	200	...	...	200	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas	1896	2,470	...	...	...	...	2,470	...	25	...	...	...
	1897	5,648	...	100	...	...	5,808	...	17	...	...	...
Total		...	...	2,843	...	...	7,931	1,090	25	...	...	...
		15,367	...	520	...	...	15,887	78	17	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, and the suburbs of Calcutta.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the districts by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAME OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				NAME OF IMPORTING DISTRICTS.
		Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	
		51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca Division—										
Dacca	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Faridp	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Backergunge	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—										
Tippera	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna Division—						160			160	
Patna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champeran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	160	...	...	160	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur—										
Monghyr	1896	...	...	...	...	145	45	...	...	190
	1897	...	...	...	...	118	85	...	...	203
Bhagalpur	1896	...	...	...	...	48	...	...	...	48
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Purnea	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Southal Parganas	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	193	45	...	...	238
	1897	...	...	...	...	118	85	...	...	203

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the districts and by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

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NAME OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	*CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION EXCLUDING HOWRAH.				
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hooghly.	Midnapore.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Orissa Division—											
Cuttack ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota Nagpur Division—											
Hazaribagh ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	1896	5,071	12	12,539	...	...	17,622	1,352	25	1,893	...
...	1897	17,040	...	4,873	40	...	21,953	93	29	4,209	29
Other Provinces in India—											
Assam ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N.W. P. and Oudh ... 1896	1,13,029	...	...	...	...	...	1,13,629	...	...	...	...
... 1897	31,943	...	...	...	...	...	34,943	...	...	...	...
Punjab ... 1896	9,127	...	...	...	...	...	9,127	...	...	...	...
... 1897	1,625	...	...	...	...	...	1,625	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces ... 1896	2,174	...	...	...	...	...	2,174	940	...	...	...
... 1897	21,041	...	...	...	...	...	21,948	258	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	377	...	...	...	...	...	377	...	...	...	...
Berar ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	1,032	1,032	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sindh ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ... 1896	1,30,001	12	12,539	Nil	1,032	1,43,584	2,292	25	1,893	...	...
... 1897	75,933	Nil	4,873	40	Nil	8,846	351	29	4,209	29	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta and the suburbs.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the place of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the districts by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding months of the years 1896 and 1897.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	DACCA DIVISION.					CHITTAGONG DIVISION.			
	Dacca.	Mymensingh.	Faridpur.	Backergunge.	Total.	Tippura.	Nonkhali.	Chittagong.	Total.
	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Orissa Division—									
Cuttack ... 1896
... 1897
Puri ... 1896
... 1897
Balasore ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896
... 1897
Chota Nagpur Division—									
Hazaribagh ... 1896
... 1897
Manbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Singhbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896
... 1897
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal ... 1896	18	...	18	...	...	11	...
... 1897	...	2	21	...	23	2	17	...	...
Other Provinces in India—									
Assam ... 1896
... 1897
N.W. P. and Oudh ... 1896
... 1897
Punjab ... 1896
... 1897
Central Provinces ... 1896
... 1897
Rajputana and Central India ... 1896
... 1897
Berar ... 1896
... 1897
Nizam's Territory ... 1896
... 1897
Bombay ... 1896
... 1897
Madras ... 1896
... 1897
Mysore ... 1896
... 1897
Sindh ... 1896
... 1897
GRAND TOTAL ... 1896	18	...	18	...	...	11	...
... 1897	...	2	21	...	23	2	17	...	...

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Wheat of the district and by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				Total of the provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.
	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	
	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59
Orissa Division—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Cuttack ... 1896
... 1897
Puri ... 1896
... 1897
Balasore ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896
... 1897
Chota Nagpur Division—									
Hazaribagh ... 1896
... 1897
Manbhum ... 1896	88	88	...
... 1897
Singbhum ... 1896
... 1897
Total ... 1896	88	88	...
... 1897
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. 1896	142	142	353	100	...	453	33,8
... 1897	267	267	118	160	128	406	38,8
Other Provinces in India—									
Assam ... 1896
... 1897	1,10,0
N.-W. P. and Oudh ... 1896	36,0
... 1897	9,0
Punjab ... 1896	1,00,0
... 1897	3,0
Central Provinces ... 1896	101	382	483	29,0
... 1897	264	402	666	...
Rajputana and Central India ... 1896
... 1897
Berar ... 1896
... 1897
Nizam's Territory ... 1896
... 1897
Bombay ... 1896
... 1897
Madras ... 1896
... 1897	...	23	...	23	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore ... 1896
... 1897
Sindh ... 1896
... 1897
GRAND TOTAL ... 1896	142	142	353	201	382	936	1,65,0
... 1897	...	23	267	290	118	424	530	1,079	1,00,0

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and routes, i.e., by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORT					
	CALCUTTA* AND HOWRAH.					
	By rail.	By inland steamer,	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.	TOTAL.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Calcutta* and Howrah—						
By rail ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ inland steamer ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ country boat ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ road ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ sea ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan Division excluding Howrah—						
Burdwan ... { 1896	...	3,304	2,129	...	...	5,433
... { 1897	...	490	1,945	...	...	2,435
Birbhum ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ... { 1896	...	104	1,417	...	...	1,521
... { 1897	...	2,365	3,035	...	...	6,060
Hooghly excluding Howrah { 1896	38	...	1,230	...	...	1,268
... { 1897	14	...	1,909	...	...	1,923
Total ... { 1896	38	3,408	4,776	...	...	8,222
... { 1897	14	2,855	7,549	...	...	10,418
Presidency Division excluding Calcutta—						
24 Parganas ... { 1896	...	...	138	752	...	890
... { 1897	...	...	202	3,181	...	3,383
Nadia ... { 1896	80,215	3,523	48,007	36	...	1,32,353
... { 1897	1,23,110	4,159	48,384	24	...	1,75,677
Murshidabad ... { 1896	1,783	...	5,959	...	...	7,742
... { 1897	4,032	...	2,316	...	...	6,348
Jessore ... { 1896	2,305	...	1,798	121	...	4,224
... { 1897	20,508	...	1,687	332	...	22,527
Khulna ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	158	...	...	...	...	158
Total ... { 1896	84,303	3,523	56,502	909	...	1,45,239
... { 1897	1,47,808	4,159	52,589	3,537	...	2,08,093
Rajshahi Division—						
Rajshahi ... { 1896	1,865	...	4,143	...	...	6,008
... { 1897	4,817	...	1,231	...	...	6,448
Dinajpur ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	360	...	...	360
Jalpaiguri ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	456	...	14	...	...	470
Bogra ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	132	...	...	...	...	132
Pabna ... { 1896	1,635	10,641	817	...	...	13,09
... { 1897	6,015	119	822	...	...	6,949
Cooch Behar ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	3,500	10,641	4,960	...	...	19,101
... { 1897	11,420	119	2,427	...	...	13,959

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, all stations of the

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Grain and routes, i.e., by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897,

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORT								
	RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								
	Rajshahi.	Dinaipur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Fabna.	Cooch Behar.	Total.
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
CALCUTTA* AND HOWRAH—									
By rail ...	1896 37	76	48	10	491	133	103	53	951
	1897 36	121	64	130	544	146	20	233	1,344
By inland steamer ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	84	...	56	...	140
	1897 ...	...	...	...	42	...	...	...	49
By country boat ...	1896 ...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
	1897 ...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3
By road ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896 37	97	48	10	575	133	159	53	1,112
	1897 36	121	64	130	589	146	20	233	1,389
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—									
Burdwan ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birbhum ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly (excluding Howrah) ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—									
24 Parganas ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Nadia ...	1896 12	75	103	99	193	127	...	...	609
	1897 149	10	3	255	10	182	...	...	609
Murshidabad ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896 12	75	103	99	193	127	...	...	609
	1897 149	12	3	255	10	182	...	...	611
Rajshahi Division—									
Rajshahi ...	1896 ...	321	538	133	658	1,025	...	...	2,673
	1897 ...	200	162	101	100	1,028	...	...	1,591
Dinaipur ...	1896 2	...	1,010	...	2	...	...	23	1,037
	1897 ...	...	139	...	6	...	...	...	145
Jalpaiguri ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	1896 ...	31	...	...	...	...	...	17	48
	1897 2	...	...	8	...	...	...	96	106
Bogra ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	26
	1897 ...	...	20	...	6	...	...	...	...
Fabna ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ...	1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1896 2	352	1,548	133	670	1,025	...	40	3,770
	1897 2	200	321	109	112	1,028	...	96	1,863

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and Pulses inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.			
		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Par- sonthal ganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.	
		45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
CALCUTTA* AND HOWRAH—		1896	...	1	...	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	20	143	61
By rail		1897	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	224	224	...	...	...	...
By country boat		1896	...	...	20	...	20	...	...	201	201	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By road ...		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	755	755	...	...	...	...
By sea ...		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	789	789	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		1896	...	1	20	8	29	...	...	979	979	...	20	143	61
		1897	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	990	990	...	...	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—		1896	...	2	330	18	350	...	...	...	...	...	44	45	...
Burdwan		1897	...	...	...	16	16	...	...	...	...	98	800	424	...
Birbhum		1896	...	34	...	106	140	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	18	...	82	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly (excluding Howrah)		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		1896	...	36	330	124	490	...	...	...	...	...	98	800	424
		1897	...	18	...	98	116	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—		1896	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24 Parganas		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia		1896	...	...	...	1,987	2,324	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	337	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad		1896	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...
		1897	...	1,833	...	8,831	10,664	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		1896	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...
		1897	337	1,833	...	10,818	12,988	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi Division—		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi		1897	...	210	...	2,731	2,941	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	2,679	...	5,779	8,458	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	88	88	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	116	116	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		1897	...	2,839	...	8,714	11,603	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, all stations and the surrounding villages.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and routes, i.e., by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF IMPORT				
		CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.				
		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.
1		2	3	4	5	6
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca Division—				12	...	12
Dacca	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	823
	{ 1897	442	252	129	...	454
Mymensingh	{ 1896	204	...	250	...	264
	{ 1897	189	...	75	...	8,114
Faridpur	{ 1896	6,714	...	1,400	...	13,012
	{ 1897	11,662	...	1,350	...	...
Backergunge	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	265
	{ 1897	265	...	...	...	8,580
Total	{ 1896	6,918	...	1,662	...	14,364
	{ 1897	12,558	252	1,554	...	...
Chittagong Division—						
Thera	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	175
	{ 1897	...	...	175	...	...
Chittagong	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	200
	{ 1897	...	...	...	200	200
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	375
	{ 1897	...	...	175	200	...
Patna Division—						
Patna	{ 1896	24,124	713	481	...	25,318
	{ 1897	15,940	42	...	...	15,982
Gaya	{ 1896	1,051	...	...	...	1,051
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	{ 1896	7,009	...	7,632	...	14,641
	{ 1897	5,519	...	2,218	...	7,737
Saran	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	238
	{ 1897	238	...	...	...	2
Champaran	{ 1896	2	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	1,876
Darbhanga	{ 1896	1,876	...	...	...	1,948
	{ 1897	1,948	...	...	...	42,888
Total	{ 1896	34,062	713	8,113	...	25,905
	{ 1897	23,645	42	2,218	...	14,942
Bhagalpur Division—						
Monghyr	{ 1896	14,627	...	315	...	14,671
	{ 1897	14,671	...	100	...	2,254
Bhagalpur	{ 1896	1,864	...	370	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	9,150
Purnea	{ 1896	6,694	...	2,456	...	149
	{ 1897	149	...	...	...	561
Malda	{ 1896	...	...	561	...	280
	{ 1897	...	...	280	...	19,461
Sonthal Parganas	{ 1896	18,657	...	804	...	6,475
	{ 1897	5,795	...	680	...	46,348
Total	{ 1896	41,842	...	4,506	...	21,575
	{ 1897	20,515	...	1,060	...	...
Orissa Division—						
Cuttack	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...
Puri	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	7,003
Balasore	{ 1896	7,003	4,696
	{ 1897	685	4,011	7,003
Total	{ 1896	7,003	4,696
	{ 1897	685	4,011	...

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NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF IMPORT								
		RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								Total.
		Rajshahi.	Dinajpur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Pabna.	Cooch Behar.	
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca Division—										
Dacca	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Faridpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Backergunge	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—										
Chittagong	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna Division—					99				100	208
Patna	{ 1896	...	...	218	115	49	...	...	...	412
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
Samahad	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	48
	{ 1897	...	26	...	...	22	...	...	...	...
Faran	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	99	...	...	...	113	212
	{ 1897	...	26	248	115	71	...	...	...	460
Bhagalpur Division—										482
Monghyr	{ 1896	...	105	377	...	...	...	...	...	106
	{ 1897	...	26	...	...	...	80	...	...	76
Bhagalpur	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	76	...	...	...	722
	{ 1897	...	33	446	243	...	...	...	...	1,562
Purnea	{ 1896	...	369	273	331	...	...	...	...	446
	{ 1897	...	13	310	...	123	...	...	...	...
Malda	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas	{ 1896	...	...	201	...	247	...	...	51	469
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	149	...	...	7	188
Total	{ 1896	...	474	851	531	912	...	...	51	2,619
	{ 1897	...	104	756	243	272	80	...	7	1,463
Orissa Division—										...
Cuttack	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	{ 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	{ 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, all stations of the

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF IMPORT												
		BHAGALPUR DIVISION.					ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAAGPUR DIVISION.			
		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonthal Parganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singbhum.
		45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57
Dacca Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baridpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Buckergunge	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Tippera	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Patna	1896	76	...	...	...	4	80	...	...	...	...	21	40	91
	1897	13	4	...	...	2	18	...	...	...	...	90	32	57
Gaya	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	1896	...	...	...	...	21	21	...	...	...	...	...	14	14
	1897	36	76	5	...	20	137	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	1896	...	...	18	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	51	...	...	...	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champaran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	1896	...	30	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	15	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	76	30	18	...	25	149	...	...	...	...	21	54	91
	1897	48	149	5	...	22	224	...	...	...	...	90	32	57
Bhagalpur Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Monghyr	1896	...	821	465	...	574	1,860	...	...	...	...	1,776	3,192	815
	1897	...	573	...	...	258	857	...	...	...	...	2,805	3,082	757
Bhagalpur	1896	124	...	232	...	220	602	...	...	...	...	11	...	11
	1897	137	...	...	...	18	322	...	...	...	...	28	...	28
Purnea	1896	...	...	...	...	11	118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	105	...	...	2,72	2,827	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas	1896	16	609	...	85	...	710	...	...	...	...	606	32	638
	1897	...	100	193	...	...	307	...	...	...	...	...	10,916	10,916
Total	1896	140	1,430	717	85	915	3,290	...	...	...	...	2,393	3,224	815
	1897	137	793	198	...	3,165	4,293	...	...	...	...	2,923	13,998	757
Orissa Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Cuttack	1896
	1897
Puri	1896
	1897
Balasore	1896
	1897
Total	1896
	1897

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Prices of the Districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail and of Calcutta, carried by all routes, i.e., compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—continued.

OTHER PROVINCES.															
Assam.	North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Punjab.	Central Provinces.	Rajputana and Central India.	Berar.	Nizam's Territory.	Bombay.	Madras.	Burma.	Mysore.	Sind.	Other Indian ports.	Other Foreign ports.	Grand Total.	
60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
597														595	
1,499	881													2,380	
454														454	
281														281	
8,124														8,124	
16,397	300													16,700	
265														265	
9,175														9,175	
18,442	1,271													9,113	
835														835	
430	129													559	
175														175	
203														203	
835														835	
808	129													957	
31,629	24,136	29	5,696	27,408										88,988	
29,211	1,03,725			300										1,33,526	
1,096	3,966		1,064	2,943										9,069	
594	7,484													8,078	
11,680	16,627		1,025	2,104										34,436	
9,272	17,059													26,331	
135	382													517	
313	3,734													4,047	
19														19	
124	7													131	
72														72	
259														259	
2,016	405													2,421	
2,135														2,135	
49,647	45,516	29	7,785	32,545										1,35,522	
41,901	1,32,009			390										1,74,300	
30,165	16,063		337	673										46,238	
34,824	30,508			32										65,364	
7,806	30,770		1,786	5,126										54,488	
11,834	38,711													50,886	
10,830														10,830	
3,758														3,758	
561														561	
280														280	
44,515	20,516	1,019		351										66,431	
30,072	1,35,443			104										1,65,619	
93,877	75,379	1,019	2,123	6,150										1,78,548	
80,768	2,04,669			136										2,85,907	
										</					

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and routes, i.e., by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORT					
	CALCUTTA* AND HOWRAH.					
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boat.	By road.	By sea.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Chota Nagpur Division—						
Hazaribagh ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singbhum ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL OF THE PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF BENGAL ... 1896	1,70,663	18,287	80,519	909	7,003	2,77,381
1897	2,15,960	7,420	68,257	3,537	4,211	2,99,385
Other Provinces—						
Assam ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
N.-W. P. and Oudh ... 1896	30,778	...	...	...	...	30,778
1897	2,165	...	...	...	...	2,165
Panjab ... 1896	19,887	...	...	...	...	19,887
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces ... 1896	105	...	...	...	...	105
1897	142	...	...	...	...	142
Rajputana and Central India ... 1896	1,000	...	...	...	...	1,000
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras ... 1896	...	...	...	...	299	299
1897	...	...	...	...	63,550	63,550
Mysore ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sind ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma ... 1896	...	...	...	...	410	410
1897	...	...	...	...	2,815	2,815
Other places ... 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	1	1
GRAND TOTAL ... 1896	2,22,523	18,287	80,519	909	7,712	3,29,950
1897	2,18,267	7,420	68,257	3,537	70,577	3,68,058

* Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta, all stations of the

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Calcutta Port Trust Railway, Howrah, Sealdah and Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and routes, i.e., by rail, inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF IMPORT								
		RAJSHAHI DIVISION.								Total.
		Rajshahi.	Dinajpur.	Jalpaiguri.	Darjeeling.	Rangpur.	Bogra.	Pabna.	Cooch Behar.	
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Chota Nagpur Division—										
Hazaribagh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL OF PROVINCES UNDER THE	1896	51	998	2,550	672	2,350	1,285	159	257	8,322
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR	1897	187	463	1,392	902	1,054	1,436	20	336	5,790
OF BENGAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Provinces—										
Assam	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N. W. P. and Oudh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Punjab	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam Territory	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadras	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sind	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other places	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL	1896	51	998	2,550	672	2,350	1,285	159	257	8,322
	1897	187	463	1,392	902	1,054	1,436	20	336	5,790

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains* of the district during the month of January 1897 as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION, EXCLUDING HOWRAH.					PRESIDENCY DIVISION, EXCLUDING CALCUTTA						NAMES OF IMPORTING DISTRICTS.
	By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hoochly.	Midnapore.	Total.	24-Parganas.	Nadia.	Murshidabad.	Jessore.	Khulna.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Calcutta and Howrah—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
By rail ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	15	...	35	...	9	...	...	...	...
By rail ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	187	...	17	...	204	...	4	...	4	...	...
By inland steamer ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By inland steamer ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	188	...	...	1,763	1,761	...	116	...	...	...	...
By country boats ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	204	...	...	...	...	...
By country boats ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	14	...	3	5	...	...	...
By road ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By road ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...
By sea ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	15	2	37	204	9	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	375	...	31	1,563	1,969	10	123	5	4	...	...
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—																		
Burdwan ... { 1896	...	...	21	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ... { 1897	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birbhum ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birbhum ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hoochly, excluding Howrah ... { 1896	...	...	115	...	...	115	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hoochly, excluding Howrah ... { 1897	6	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	136	...	...	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1897	6	...	2	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—																		
24-Parganas ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24-Parganas ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia ... { 1896	...	...	1,350	...	...	1,350	...	...	140	...	140	32	...	...	61	...	...
Nadia ... { 1897	1,316	...	52	...	...	1,368	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	69	...	...
Murshidabad ... { 1896	3,692	...	261	...	...	3,953	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad ... { 1897	...	...	15	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore ... { 1896	923	...	...	...	...	923	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	4,615	...	1,610	...	...	6,225	...	...	140	...	140	32	...	...	61	...	...
Total ... { 1897	1,316	...	67	...	...	1,383	...	...	...	...	...	13	20	...	69	2	...
Rajshahi Division—																		
Rajshahi ... { 1896	119	...	...	...	...	119	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur ... { 1896	19	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	138	...	...	...	...	138	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Consisting of Barley, Kodo, &c.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in Gram and Pulses of inland steamer, country boat, road and by sea during the month of January 1897, as compared with

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF IMPORT													
		BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.				CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.			
		Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Par. Sonthal ganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Pari.	Balasore.	Total.	Hazaribagh.	Manbhum.	Singhbhum.	Total.
45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58		
Chota Nagpur Division—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Hazaribagh ... 1896		...	...	...	...	33	33	...	...	...	...	...	926	...
1897		52	...	...	...	46	98	...	...	...	...	...	435	54
Manbhum ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	346
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	237
Singhbhum ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... 1896		...	...	...	...	33	33	...	...	...	...	...	926	346
1897		52	...	...	...	46	98	...	...	...	...	...	435	291
GRAND TOTAL OF PROVINCES UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL ... 1896		217	1,498	735	435	1,108	3,993	...	...	979	979	2,414	4,260	1,297
1897		574	5,686	203	...	22,863	29,326	...	...	990	990	3,181	15,408	1,590
Other Provinces—		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Assam ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	360	...
N.-W. P. and Oudh ... 1896		1,061	11	...	...	34	1,106	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1,502	...
Punjab ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,000
Central Provinces ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	276
Rajputana and Central India ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam Territory ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	365	365	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sind ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other places ... 1896		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL ... 1896		1,278	1,509	735	435	1,142	5,099	...	...	979	979	2,414	6,122	2,903
1897		577	5,686	203	...	22,863	29,329	...	...	365	990	1,355	3,181	15,425

the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, country boats, road and by sea the figures for the corresponding period of 1896.

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-crops country boats, road and by sea, during the month of January

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		PATNA DIVISION.							BHAGALPUR DIVISION.					NAMES OF DESTINATION.
		Patna.	Gaya.	Shahabad.	Saran.	Chamrara.	Muzaffarpur.	Darbhanga.	Total.	Monghyr.	Bagulpur.	Purnea.	Madda.	South Patna.
		37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49
Calcutta and Howrah—		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
By rail	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	54	4,841	422	370	5,687	...	...	...	...	387
By inland steamer	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By country boats	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By road	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
By sea	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	54	4,841	422	370	5,687	...	...	...	...	387
Burdwan Division, excluding Howrah—														
Burdwan	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	14	...	2	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...
Hooghly, excluding Howrah	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	14	...	2	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	59
Presidency Division, excluding Calcutta—														
24 Parganas	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	326	...	...	...	...	...	...	326	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Khulna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	326	...	...	...	...	...	...	326	...	18	...	...	87
Rajshahi Division—														
Rajshahi	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalpaiguri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darjeeling	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	489	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bogra	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pabna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cooch Behar	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	489	...	...	2,88

* Consisting of barley, &c.
† Calcutta comprises the town & suburbs.

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—contd.

CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.				Grand total of the provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	OTHER PROVINCES.														GRAND TOTAL.
Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	Assam.		North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Punjab.	Central Provinces.	Rajputana and Central India.	Berar.	Nizam's territory.	Bombay.	M. dras.	Gurra.	Mysore.	Sind.	Other Foreign Ports.			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.		
6	...	6	57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	57
...	6,319	7	29,267	1,917	7	319	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37,836		
...	1,867	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,879		
...	206	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	206		
...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22		
...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10		
...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	68	298	374	...	...	7,546		
...	263	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	227	...	...	...	508		
6	...	6	8,222	19	29,267	1,917	7	319	...	...	...	68	298	374	...	...	7,809
...	150	227	...	...	40,355		
...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21		
50	21	71	75	...	2,112	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,185
...	66	...	9,144	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,210		
...	115	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	115		
...	6	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31		
...	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	136		
50	21	71	145	...	11,281	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11,426
...		
...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2		
52	...	52	1,823	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,823
...	1,824	...	1,641	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,465		
...	3,962	...	1,814	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,766		
...	120	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	120		
...	923	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	923		
...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9		
...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20		
52	...	52	6,698	...	1,814	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,512
...	1,975	...	1,641	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,616		
...	538	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	538		
...	924	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	924		
...	748	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	748		
...	1,160	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,160		
...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18		
...	870	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	870		
...	231	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	231		
...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11		
...		
...	1,297	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,297		
...	3,203	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,203		

...corn, oats, millets, &c.
...Railway, Benadah and Chitpur.

*the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail and at Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, country boats, road and by sea
with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896.*

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Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains country boats, road and by sea, during the month of January 1897.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF IMPORTING DISTRICTS.													
	PATNA DIVISION.								BHAGALPUR DIVISION.					
	Paina.	Gayā.	Shahabad.	Saran.	Champaran.	Muzaffarpur.	Darbhanga.	Total.	Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Scotchal-gans.	Total.
	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
Dacca Division—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Dacca	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mymensingh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Faridpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Backergunge	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong Division—														
Tippera	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noakhali	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Consisting of barley, kodo, &c.
† Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

the districts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta, carried by rail, inland steamer, compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896—concl'd.

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CALCUTTA AND NAGPUR DIVISION.				OTHER PROVINCES.														GRAND TOTAL.
Manbhum.	Singbhum.	Total.	Grand total of the provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	Assam.	North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	Panjab.	Central Provinces.	Rajputana and Central India.	Berar.	Nizam's territory.	Bombay.	Madras.	Burma.	Mysore.	Sind.	Other Foreign Ports.		
52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	
Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
...	1,036	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	633	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,036	
...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	633	
...	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	
...	370	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	66	
...	131	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	370	
...	131	
...	1,466	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	828	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,466	
...	832	
...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
...	57	
...	57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	57	
...	4	

...com. oats, millets, &c.
...Railway, Sealdah and Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains* of the district, during the month of January 1896, as compared with

NAMES OF IMPORTERS

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION, EXCLUDING HOWRAH.					PRESIDENCY DIVISION, EXCLUDING CALCUTTA.						RAJSHAH.	
		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hooghly.	Midnapore.	Total.	24 Parganas.	Nadia.	Murshidabad.	Jessore.	Khulna.	Total.	Rajshahi.	Dinajpur.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Patna Division—																				
Patna	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna	1897	293	...	...	...	...	298	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	1896	...	...	11	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saran	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champanan	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Champanan	1897	407	...	...	...	...	407	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur	1897	506	...	...	...	...	506	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	1896	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	2	...	11	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1897	971	...	...	...	...	971	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division—																				
Monghyr	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Monghyr	1897	460	...	...	...	...	460	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	1896	61	...	...	...	...	61	8	7	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur	1897	7,363	...	...	...	...	7,363	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	95	...	95	...	16
Purnea	1896	17	...	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Purnea	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas	1896	42	...	317	...	...	359	28	...	...	...	28	...	...	85	...	85	...	16
Sonthal Parganas	1897	1,051	...	...	...	...	1,051	14	...	...	...	14	...	...	87	...	87	...	106
Total	1896	120	...	317	...	...	437	36	7	...	...	43	...	...	85	...	85	...	16
Total	1897	8,874	...	...	...	...	8,874	16	...	...	...	16	...	...	182	...	182	...	16
Orissa Division—																				
Cuttack	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuttack	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota Nagpur Division—																				
Hazaribagh	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hazaribagh	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singhbhum	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.		1896	4,875	...	2,074	...	6,949	56	7	155	2	220	563	52	85	61	...	761	...	
		1897	11,167	...	69	...	11,236	375	16	31	1,563	1,985	25	274	187	73	2	561	8	

* Consisting of barley, kodo.
† Calcutta comprises the town of

*the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamers, country boats, road and by
res for the corresponding period for 1896—contd.*

DISTRICTS.

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corn, oats, millets, &c.
Trust Railway, Sealdah and, Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains* of road and by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.			
	Monghyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	Sonthal Parganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.
	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
Patna Division—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Patna ... { 1896	...	...	12	...	...	12	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	29	...	...	...	9	38	...	...	...	...
Saran ... { 1896	...	694	...	...	...	694	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Champeran ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muzaffarpur ... { 1896	...	36	...	...	...	36	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	109	27	...	...	...	136	...	...	...	...
Darbhanga ... { 1896	5,759	349	...	...	31	6,139	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	24	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	5,759	1,079	12	...	31	6,881	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	138	53	...	...	9	200	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur Division—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Monghyr ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	64	64	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur ... { 1896	819	...	34	...	297	1,150	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	100	...	75	...	13	197	...	...	...	...
Purnea ... { 1896	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malda ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sonthal Parganas ... { 1896	...	69	310	...	...	388	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	516	3	1,380	...	...	1,899	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	821	69	353	...	297	1,540	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	625	3	1,455	...	77	2,160	...	...	...	...
ORISSA DIVISION—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuttack ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Puri ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balasore ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota Nagpur Division—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hazaribagh ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manbhum ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Singbhum ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. { 1896	6,580	1,149	365	...	328	8,422	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	763	563	1,455	...	2,865	5,646	...	...	...	...

* Consisting of barley, kodo, shamba.
† Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

of the Lower Provinces of Bengal carried by rail, and of Calcutta carried by rail, inland steamer, country boats, the figures for the corresponding period of 1895 - conclud.

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corn, oats, millets, &c.
Railway, Scaldah and Chitpur.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains* of the district, during the month of January 1897, as compared with

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.		NAMES OF PLACES OF DESTINATION.																			
		CALCUTTA AND HOWRAH.						BURDWAN DIVISION, EXCLUDING HOWRAH.				PRESIDENCY DIVISION, EXCLUDING CALCUTTA.								RAJSHAHI.	
		By rail.	By inland steamer.	By country boats.	By road.	By sea.	Total.	Burdwan.	Birbhum.	Hooghly.	Midnapore.	Total.	24 Parganas.	Nadia.	Murshibabad.	Jessore.	Khulna.	Total.	Rajshahi.	Birsenpur.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.		
Other Provinces—																					
Assam { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North-Western Provinces and Oudh. { 1896	21	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Punjab { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	13	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Central Provinces ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	99	...	...	...	...	99	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajputana and Central India. { 1896	382	...	...	...	...	382	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	6	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nizam's Territory ... { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay { 1896	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	2,377	2,377	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sind { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma { 1896	...	...	...	...	63	63	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other places { 1896	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
... .. { 1897	...	...	...	...	136	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL { 1896	5,278	Nil	2,074	Nil	66	7,418	56	7	155	2	220	563	52	85	61	...	761	...	130		
... .. { 1897	11,295	Nil	69	Nil	2,513	13,877	375	16	35	563	1,989	25	274	187	73	2	561	8	201		

* Consisting of barley, kodo, &c.
† Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

Statement showing the sources of supply and the places of destination in respect of the trade in other Food-grains* of road and by sea, during the month of January 1897, as compared with the corresponding month of 1896.

NAMES OF EXPORTING DISTRICTS.	BHAGALPUR DIVISION.						ORISSA DIVISION.			
	Munhyr.	Bhagalpur.	Purnea.	Malda.	South Parganas.	Total.	Cuttack.	Puri.	Balasore.	Total.
	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54
Other Provinces—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Assam ... { 1896
... { 1897
North-Western Provinces and Oudh. { 1896	10	...	...	2	12	...	...	...	...
... { 1897	13	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...
Panjab ... { 1896
... { 1897
Central Provinces ... { 1896
... { 1897
Rajputana and Central India. { 1896
... { 1897
Berar ... { 1896
... { 1897
Nizam's Territory ... { 1896
... { 1897
Bombay ... { 1896
... { 1897
Madras ... { 1896
... { 1897
Mysore ... { 1896
... { 1897	140	...	...
Sind ... { 1896
... { 1897
Burma ... { 1896
... { 1897
Other places ... { 1896
... { 1897
GRAND TOTAL ... { 1896 ...	6,580	1,189	365	...	330	8,434	...	...	...	...
... { 1897 ...	763	876	1,455	...	2,865	5,652	...	140

* Consisting of barley, kodo, &c.
† Calcutta comprises the town of Calcutta.

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oats, millets, &c.
Railway, Sealdah and, Chitpur.

**Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Alipore Observatory from
9th to 15th May 1897.**

Month.	Date.	Maximum in sun.	Number of hours of bright sunshine.	Mean pressure barometer at 32° Fahr.	TEMPERATURE.				HYGROMETRY.				WIND.		Rain.	WEATHER.
					Mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Mean wet bulb.	Vapour tension.	Dew point.	Humidity.	Prevailing direction.	Miles recorded.		
1897.		°		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	Inches	°	%			Inches.	
May.	9th	155.5	7.7	29.605	92.3	104.6	20.2	84.4	80.0	0.863	74.8	61	S S W, S W by S, and variable.	183	Nil	Morning cloudy day and night clear, o.
"	10th	155.5	9.5	635	91.1	101.1	17.7	83.4	82.3	.986	78.8	69	S S W, S S E, and S.	176	"	Chiefly clear.
"	11th	152.5	9.9	632	90.0	97.4	14.6	82.8	82.9	1.033	80.2	74	S S W, S S E, and S.	195	"	Chiefly clear.
"	12th	153.2	10.3	646	89.7	98.1	16.6	81.5	82.4	1.013	79.6	74	S S E, S S W, and variable.	157	"	Partially cloudy.
"	13th	151.6	10.0	674	90.2	97.8	17.0	80.8	81.7	0.971	78.3	70	E, S S W, and variable.	96	"	Partially cloudy.
"	14th	156.5	9.3	687	90.4	100.2	18.2	82.0	81.5	.956	77.9	67	S E, and S S W	91	"	Partially cloudy.
"	15th	157.7	8.9	672	88.8	98.7	17.5	81.2	79.4	.878	75.3	64	S by W, S S W, and variable.	128	0.09	Partially cloudy, o, p, t, <

The mean pressure of the seven days 29.650

The average pressure of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office 29.680

The total number of hours of bright sunshine 65.6

The maximum possible number of hours of sunshine 91.8

The mean temperature of the seven days 90.4

The average temperature of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office 85.9

The extreme variation of temperature 23.8

The maximum temperature 104.6

The highest velocity of the wind in one hour 15

The mean relative humidity 68

The average relative humidity of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office 73

The total fall of rain from 9th to 15th May 1897 0.09

The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office 0.93

The total fall from 1st January to 15th May 1897 4.41

The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office 6.79

The mean pressure, temperature, &c., are deduced from the traces of the Barograph and Thermograph and from observations made at 6h., 10h., 16h and 22h.

The maximum and minimum temperatures are obtained from self-registering thermometers. All thermometers are verified and the readings have been corrected to a standard constructed and verified at Kew Observatory. They are exposed under a thatched shed open at the sides, and are suspended four feet above the ground.

The barometer readings are corrected approximately to those of the standard, Newman's No. formerly at the Surveyor-General's Office.

The hygrometric elements are obtained from Tables III, IV, and V of the official tables computed at the Meteorological Office, and based on Regnault's modifications of August's formula.

The directions and the movement of the wind are taken from the trace of a Beckley's anemograph. The mouth of the rain-gauge is one foot above the ground.

o, overcast; p, passing temporary showers; t, thunder; < lightning

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GOVT. OF INDIA,
Calcutta, the 17th May 1897.

J. H. GILLILAND,
For Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of India

Results of the Barometrical and Thermometrical Observations taken at the Meteorological Office, Chowringhee, from 9th to 15th May 1897.

MONTH.	Date.	Pressure at 10 A.M. corrected and reduced to 32° Fah.	TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETRY.			Rainfall, past 24 hours.
			Daily mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Dry bulb at 10 A.M.	Wet bulb at 10 A.M.	Vapour tension at 10 A.M.	Dew point at 10 A.M.	Humidity at 10 A.M.	
1897.		Inches.	°		°	°	°	°	Inches.	°	%	Inches.
May	9th	29.658	94.8	105.4	21.2	84.2	95.7	83.5	.984	78.8	59	Nil
"	10th	.676	93.8	104.0	20.5	83.5	96.6	84.2	1.002	79.3	58	"
"	11th	.687	91.6	100.3	17.5	82.8	94.8	86.6	1.158	83.8	71	"
"	12th	.683	91.5	101.1	19.3	81.8	94.6	83.3	.989	78.9	61	"
"	13th	.779	90.7	100.0	18.7	81.3	93.4	84.1	1.046	80.6	66	"
"	14th	.747	92.8	102.9	20.2	82.7	93.6	81.5	.913	76.5	53	"
"	15th	.730	91.8	101.2	18.9	82.3	94.6	83.6	1.003	79.4	61	"

The mean 10 A.M. pressure of the seven days Inches. 29.709

The mean temperature of the seven days 92.4

The extreme variation of temperature 24.1

The maximum temperature 105.4

The mean 10 A.M. relative humidity of the seven days % 62

The total fall of rain from 9th to 15th May 1897 Inch. Nil

The daily mean temperatures are the crude means of maximum and minimum temperatures.

• METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,
The 17th May 1897.

C. LITTLE,
Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of Bengal.

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT,—BENGAL.

Statement showing heights over mean sea-level and low-water in the Rivers Ganges, Bhagirathi, Jalangi, and Brahmaputra, for the month of March 1897.

RIVER GANGES.																								RIVER BHAGIRATHI.		RIVER JALANGI.		RIVER BRAHMAPUTRA.							
Mirzapur.				Benares.				Buxar.				Dinapore.				Monghyr.				Sahibganj.				Rampur Boalis.				Goalundo.		Berhampore.		Saruganj.		Ganeshi.	
Miles.		Distance.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.		From Allahabad.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24												
1st				
2nd				
3rd				
4th				
5th				
6th				
7th				
8th				
9th				
10th				
11th				
12th				
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25th				
26th				
27th				
28th				
29th				
30th				
31st				

CALCUTTA,

The 17th May 1897.

O. C. LEES,

Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

IRRIGATION OPERATIONS FOR THE OFFICIAL YEAR 1896-97.
Areas leased for Irrigation up to end of March 1897.

CIRCLE.	District.	Canal.	DETAILS OF AREAS LEASED.															Rainfall, 1896-97.		Rainfall, 1895-96.		REMARKS.
			Estimated full discharge.	Average discharge in month.	Discharge utilized.	Approximate area of land irrigated during the year up to the end of the month.	Approximate area of land under irrigation up to the same date last year.	Season leases.					GRAND TOTAL.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.				
								Five years, kharif.	Kharif.	Rabi.	Sugarcane.	Bhadol.							Hot-weather.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21		
ORISSA	Cuttack	Taldanda, 1st reach	1,342	136	22	19,133	10,027	16,666	2,443	36	23	33	.....	16,368	18,145	470	5975	.....	68'95	.....	.....
		Ditto, 2nd "	566	71	71	36,100	16,016	16,270	16,842	764	806	.....	.....	16,368	33,168	535	5975	.....	63'35	.....	.....
		Machgaon	1,067	336	195	54,118	48,497	50,016	3,190	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,956	53,972	3,90	54'68	.....	68'64	.....
		Kendrapara	373	107	84	4,707	10,930	1,239	1,070	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,476	3,715	4'08	60'63	.....	49'97	.....
		Do. extension	648	47	36	3,772	1,963	1,055	2,468	304	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,772	3,827	1'10	64'57	.....	70'16	.....
		Patamundi	885	23	12	16,349	9,600	9,418	5,488	1,243	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,701	14,119	4'80	45'33	.....	No gauge.	.....
		High Level, Range I	608	89	19	23,004	14,355	22,392	340	338	.....	.....	.....	.....	607	23,069	2'81	54'03	.....	76'10	.....
		Ditto, do. II	727	164	144	13,932	976	1,854	130	197	.....	.....	.....	.....	327	23,161	4'15	48'73	.....	51'75	.....
		Jajpur Canal	700	54	54	30,497	2,372	7,870	16,124	3,189	41	.....	.....	.....	12,943	13,753	2'13	64'50	.....	No gauge.	.....
		High Level, Range III	727	54	54	30,497	9,966	7,870	16,124	1,254	295	.....	.....	.....	17,673	25,543	4'36	63'10	.....	73'12	.....
SOUTH-WESTERN.	Midnapore.	Total	.....	.....	.....	204,908	115,952	126,571	56,367	8,148	376	.....	.....	64,891	191,402	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total of the corresponding period of last year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	113,312	133	6,984	459	.....	.....	7,576	120,888	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Midnapore	1,411	.....	.....	65,519	54,674	59,542	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59,542	240	5975	0'24	48'39	10 days discharging.
		Panchkura	522	.....	.....	6,089	6,750	7,780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,780	213	61'86	0'71	31'64	9 days discharging.
		Tidal Reaches, Ranges I & II	1,833	.....	.....	69,245	62,481	68,393	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,071	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64,620	391	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	391	65,011	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total of the corresponding period of last year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,915	6,626	41,115	.....	.....	.....	.....	48,348	63,293	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Western Main	4,542	1,295	259	64,327	34,307	14,915	6,626	41,115	.....	.....	.....	.....	601	48,348	63,293	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Buxar	1,295	299	284	152,749	85,500	51,785	24,950	64,553	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,362	96,680	147,765	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Arrah	2,000	811	588	227,123	183,099	133,125	14,185	47,097	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,509	206,916	73,791	.....	.....	.....	.....
SONB	Shahabad	Eastern Main	1,466	331	241	101,022	88,833	58,767	21,992	1,179	.....	.....	.....	3	2,586	2,586	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Patna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Gaya	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total of the corresponding period of last year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Grand total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Grand total of the corresponding period of last year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		
		
		

* There are no separate leases for sugarcane on the Some Canals. All leased fields of "hat" crop now come under one of the other heads.

O. C. LINES,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

CALCUTTA,
The 14th May 1897.

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT, BENGAL.

Abstract statement showing Tollage on Canals in Bengal classed as Major Works for the month of March 1897, as compared with that of the corresponding month of the previous year.

CANALS.	TOLLAGE, 1896-97.			TOLLAGE, 1895-96.		
	During the month.	To end of the month.		During the month.	To end of the month.	
1	2	3		4	5	
<i>Orissa Circle.</i>	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Taldanda Canal System	7,376 7 2	28,428 6 6		5,552 4 3	19,228 15 7	
Kendrapara ditto	5,222 14 2	1,06,255 10 9		8,774 4 10	1,03,794 6 4	
High Level Canal, Range I	2,175 4 9	20,058 8 3		2,474 0 7	16,139 15 10	
Ditto, " II	389 0 0	3,572 2 0		714 7 6	3,944 14 6	
Ditto, " III	128 6 9	962 14 6		262 13 6	2,017 7 0	
Jajpur Canal ...	36 1 0	302 5 9		66 11 9	429 7 1	
Total Orissa Circle ...	15,328 1 10	1,59,579 15 9		17,844 10 5	1,45,555 2 4	
<i>South-Western Circle.</i>						
Midnapore Canal ...	12,932 13 0	1,51,176 11 0		19,638 4 3	1,42,698 9 3	
Hijili Tidal Canal ...	9,258 13 6	90,437 14 0		4,213 6 0	60,159 0 9	
Total South-Western Circle ...	22,191 10 6	2,41,614 9 0		23,851 10 3	2,02,857 10 0	
<i>Sone Circle.</i>						
Patna Canal System ...	1,592 14 6	20,475 10 3		2,592 14 9	21,892 0 10	
Arrah ditto ...	1,993 14 0	28,105 2 0		2,078 3 0	17,860 11 6	
Buxar ditto ...	1,079 0 6	9,544 7 0		1,203 2 9	11,273 1 0	
Total Sone Circle ...	4,665 13 0	58,125 3 3		5,874 4 6	51,025 13 4	
GRAND TOTAL ...	42,185 9 4	4,59,319 12 0		47,570 9 2	3,99,438 9 8	

Government Transport Service.

CANAL.	TOLLAGE, 1896-97.						TOLLAGE, 1895-96.					
	During the month.			To end of the month.			During the month.			To end of the month.		
	Passengers.	Goods.	Total receipts.	Passengers.	Goods.	Total receipts.	Passengers.	Goods.	Total receipts.	Passengers.	Goods.	Total receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Orissa Circle.</i>	No.	Mds.	Rs. A. P.	No.	Mds.	Rs. A. P.	No.	Mds.	Rs. A. P.	No.	Mds.	Rs. A. P.
High Level ...	4,912	1,285	4,068 3 7	41,874	7,481	35,367 11 9	3,753	2,018	3,744 5 0	28,500	5,069	26,015 4 3
Total Orissa Circle ...	4,912	1,285	4,068 3 7	41,874	7,481	35,367 11 9	3,753	2,018	3,744 5 0	28,500	5,069	26,015 4 3

Assessed Tollage Receipts.

CANALS.	EARNINGS, 1896-97.			EARNINGS, 1895-96.		
	During the month.	To end of the month.		During the month.	To end of the month.	
1	2	3		4	5	
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Orissa Canals ...	19,416 5 5	1,94,947 11 6		21,588 15 5	1,71,570 6 7	
Midnapore Canal ...	12,932 13 0	1,51,176 11 0		19,638 4 3	1,42,698 9 3	
Hijili Tidal Canal ...	9,258 13 6	90,437 14 0		4,213 6 0	60,159 0 9	
Sone Canals ...	4,665 13 0	58,125 3 3		5,874 4 6	51,025 13 4	
Total ...	46,273 12 11	4,94,687 7 9		51,314 14 2	4,25,453 13 11	

CALCUTTA,
The 17th May 1897.

O. C. LEES,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT, BENGAL.

Abstract statement showing Tollage on Canals in Bengal classed as Minor Works and Navigation for the month of March 1897, as compared with that of the corresponding month of the previous year.

CANALS.	TOLLAGE, 1896-97.		TOLLAGE, 1895-96.	
	During the month.	To end of the month.	During the month.	To end of the month.
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta and Eastern Canals ...	28,792 14 9	3,38,939 6 3	28,724 0 0	3,41,112 6 3
Tolly's Nala ...	7,098 8 9	81,513 1 6	7,301 10 9	87,227 14 9
Total ...	35,891 7 6	4,20,452 7 9	36,025 10 9	4,28,340 5 0
Orissa Coast Canal ...	8,413 10 3	81,361 13 0	9,514 15 9	84,978 4 3
Nadia Rivers ...	3,568 5 6	93,392 2 9	3,909 8 0	1,19,974 0 0
GRAND TOTAL ...	47,873 7 3	5,95,206 7 6	49,449 2 6	6,33,292 9 3

CALCUTTA,
The 17th May 1897.

O. C. LEES,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

CIRCULAR AND EASTERN CANALS.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ending Saturday, the 15th May 1897, as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

NATURE OF CARGO.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 15TH MAY 1897.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 15TH MAY 1896.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
	No.	Mds.	Rs.	No.	Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy ...	137	56,805	719	155	39,385	624
Jute ...	18	18,600	208	7	1,300	25
Firewood ...	74	44,550	686	140	66,250	998
Other articles ...	477	1,42,002	2,004	778	2,45,915	3,678
Total ...	706	2,59,957	3,617	1,080	3,52,850	5,325

EASTERN BENGAL STATE RAILWAY.

Abstract of principal Commodities carried over the Eastern Bengal State Railway during the month of February 1897, as compared with the same month of the previous year.

STAPLES.	1897.		1896.		Total.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	1897.	1896.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Coal and Coke carried for the Public and Foreign Railways.	8,329	6,643	8,256	6,145	14,972	14,401	571	
Cotton, raw		737	1	594	737	595	142	
Cotton, manufactured—								
Twist and yarn, European	218		255		218	255		37
Ditto, Indian	120	94	154	219	214	373		159
Piece-goods, European	2,046	9	3,199	8	2,655	3,117		1,662
Ditto, Indian	51	51	36	11	82	47	35	
Drugs and Chemicals—								
Intoxicating, other than opium	3	2	5		5	5		
Non-intoxicating—								
Cinchona bark	23		20	4	23	30		7
Others								
Dyes and Tans—		21		15	21	15	6	
Indigo								
Myrabolams	36		34		36	34	2	
Cutch	6	53		99	59	90		31
Turneric								
Aniline dyes			33	2	26	35		9
Others	26							
Grain and pulse—								
Wheat	19	14	10	20	33	30	3	
Rice in the husk	3,996	3,866	822	8,379	7,862	9,201		1,339
Rice not in the husk	3,317	777	5,996	3,182	6,094	9,178		3,084
Jowar and bajra								
Gram and pulse	583	4,467	1,086	5,090	5,050	6,155		1,105
Others	115		252	114	115	368		251
Hides and skins—								
Hides of cattle—								
Dressed or tanned								
Raw	12	449	18	697	461	715		254
Skins of sheep, &c.—								
Dressed or tanned								
Raw		1		12	1	12		11
Horns								
Jute—								
Raw	257	11,155	77	19,322	11,412	19,399		7,987
Gunny-bags and cloth	324	950	413	1,092	1,274	1,505		231
Lac—								
Stick		151		188	151	188		37
Shell			42		41	42		1
Leather, manufactured	41							
Liquors—								
Beer	23		20	3	23	23		
Spirits	3		3		3	3		
Wines	60		65	1	60	66		6
Metals—								
Copper, unwrought	18		16		18	16	2	
Brass, ditto	9		2		9	2	7	
Copper, wrought	188	101	201	75	209	276		7
Brass, do.	2,072	273	1,949	163	2,345	2,112	233	
Iron	216	8	335	26	234	361		127
Others								
Oil—								
Kerosine	6,243	120	7,659	5	6,363	7,656		1,293
Castor	5		14		5	14		9
Cocconut	57		80		57	80		23
Others	111	3	422	3	114	425		311
Oilseeds—								
Linseed		149		464	149	464		315
Rape and mustard	45	5,192	164	2,269	5,237	2,433	2,804	
Til or jinjili	2	732		74	734	74	660	
Poppy								
Barthnuts								
Castor		253	47	50	253	97	156	
Others								
Opium								
Paper and pasteboard	108	131	104	121	209	225	74	
Provisions—								
Ghee	42	7	64	3	49	67		18
Dried fruits and nuts	6		1		6	1	5	
Others	571	541	997	652	1,412	1,619		207
Railway plant and rolling-stock carried for the Public and Foreign Railways—								
Locomotives, engines, and tenders and parts thereof.								
Carriages and trucks and parts thereof								
Materials—								
Steel rails and fish-plates, sleepers, and keys of steel and cast-iron.	507				507		507	
Other sorts	944				944		944	
Salt	4,797	128	3,029	79	4,925	3,108	1,817	
Saltpetre, &c.—								
Saltpetre	7		8		7	8		1
Other saline substances								
Silk, raw—								
Foreign		18		13	18	13	5	
Indian								

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CALCUTTA GAZETTE, MAY 19, 1897.

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STAPLES.	1897.		1896.		Total.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	1897.	1896.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Silk piece-goods—								
Foreign	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indian—								
Muga	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Endi	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spices—								
Betel-nuts	294	958	216	906	1,252	1,122	130	.....
Pepper	62	.....	56	.....	62	56	6	.....
Ginger	1	85	247	115	86	362	.....	276
Chillies	248	6	102	32	254	134	120	.....
Cardamoms	.....	37	.....	32	37	32	5	.....
Others	81	22	87	35	105	122	.....	17
Lime and limestone	600	65	726	386	665	1,112	.....	447
Sugar—								
Refined or crystallized, including sugar-candy.	23	22	159	11	225	170	55	.....
Unrefined, viz., molasses and jaggery or gur, and other saccharine produce.	1,647	1,185	2,305	1,330	2,832	3,695	.....	863
Tea—								
Foreign	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indian	2	261	.....	241	263	241	.....	.....
Timber	231	177	498	194	408	602	22	194
Tobacco—								
Unmanufactured	80	1,015	126	961	1,095	1,087	8	.....
Manufactured—								
Cigars	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Other sorts	8	10	13	8	18	21	.....	.....
Wool, raw	.....	240	.....	167	240	167	73	.....
Wool, manufactured—								
Piece-goods, European	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ditto, Indian	3	.....	1	.....	3	1	.....	.....
Shawls	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
All other articles of merchandise	8,279	2,846	7,529	2,376	11,125	9,905	1,220	.....
Total	40,637	44,006	47,780	56,009	98,643	103,789	9,615	19,761

CALCUTTA, the 10th May 1897.

H. STUART,
Examiner of Accounts.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 1,701.11 miles open

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	368,894	Rs. 3,59,325 0 0	Mds. 41,74,848 0	Rs. 8,90,689 10 0	Rs. 19,959 0 0	Rs. 12,60,973 10 0	89,901	153,239	243,140
Or per mile of railway ...	...	211 3 8	...	523 9 6	11 11 9	746 8 11	...	...	...
For previous 17½ weeks of half-year ...	*5,574,945	*6,87,015 2 0	†7,20,74,994 10	†1,49,00,299 6 0	†3,77,923 0 0	2,09,65,237 8 0	1,578,194½	†2,649,673	4,227,867½
Total for 18½ weeks ...	5,743,779	69,46,340 2 0	7,52,49,842 10	1,57,90,989 0 0	3,97,882 0 0	2,22,35,211 2 0	1,668,185½	2,802,912	4,471,097½
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	403,342½	3,64,260 12 10	37,63,493 0	6,74,522 2 5	18,636 9 9	10,57,439 9 0	81,413	133,774	215,187
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	214 3 11	...	396 11 9	10 15 7	621 15 3	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 18½ weeks of previous year ...	6,368,531	70,30,193 8 3	6,70,00,880 20	1,36,14,490 1 4	3,58,304 2 5	2,10,02,887 12 0	1,551,500	2,614,905	4,166,405

* Deducted No. of passengers 1,957 and Rs. 10,763 }
 † Ditto Mds. 4,071 and " 21,655 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended
 ‡ Ditto " 1,686 } March 1897.

TARKESSUR BRANCH RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 22.23 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	24,256	Rs. 5,865 0 0	Mds. 14,126 0	Rs. 573 9 0	Rs. 8 0 0	Rs. 6,386 9 0	1,108	89	1,197
Or per mile of railway ...	...	261 2 2	...	25 12 10	0 5 9	277 4 9	...	...	...
For previous 17½ weeks of half-year ...	439,010	*1,13,188 10 0	†3,53,146 10	†12,208 15 0	†99 0 0	1,25,496 9 0	19,104	1,664	20,768
Total for 18½ weeks ...	463,266	1,18,993 10 0	3,67,272 10	12,782 8 0	107 0 0	1,31,883 2 0	20,212	1,744	21,956
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	25,078	6,081 14 0	10,635 0	440 7 0	18 3 9	6,540 8 9	1,111	77	1,188
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	273 9 5	...	19 13 0	0 13 2	294 3 7	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 18½ weeks of previous year ...	472,275	1,29,194 5 6	2,54,637 10	9,246 3 0	227 11 6	1,29,608 4 0	21,133	1,937	23,070

* Deducted No. of passengers 341 and Rs. 140 }
 † Added Mds. 512 and " 3 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended
 ‡ Ditto " 4 } March 1897.

DELHI-UMBALLA-KALKA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 160.47 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	*18,054	Rs. 17,116 2 0	Mds. 85,435 0	Rs. 10,542 2 0	Rs. 72 0 0	Rs. 27,730 4 0	6,929	4,748	11,677
Or per mile of railway ...	...	106 10 7	...	65 11 2	0 7 2	172 12 11	...	...	...
For previous 17½ weeks of half-year ...	†293,026	†2,60,136 2 0	†17,02,607 0	†1,94,812 1 0	†1,074 0 0	4,56,022 3 0	115,829	63,666	179,495
Total for 18½ weeks ...	311,980	2,77,252 4 0	17,98,042 0	2,05,354 3 0	1,146 0 0	4,83,762 7 0	132,758	68,314	201,072
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	23,120	20,080 3 9	1,06,244 20	9,447 10 9	70 1 6	29,598 0 0	6,749	4,466	11,215
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	124 6 7	...	58 8 7	0 7 0	183 6 2	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 18½ weeks of previous year ...	388,556½	3,19,505 12 7	12,58,623 0	1,69,858 14 7	1,114 1 3	4,90,508 12 5	125,467	63,518	188,985

* The decrease is due to fewer movements of marriage parties.
 † Added No. of passengers 685 and Rs. 2,367 }
 ‡ Deducted Mds. 11,627 and " 306 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended 27th
 § Added " 2 } 1897.

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

Audited Return of Traffic for the week ended 20th March 1897 on 348 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated)	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. s.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Traffic for the week ...	20,769	12,434 13 7	1,19,076 20	7,810 5 3	270 0 6	20,615 3 4	3,572	6,159	9,731
per mile of railway ...	59'68	35'73 0 0	330'77 0	21'70 0 0	75 0 0	58'18 0 0	10'26	17'11	27'37
Previous 10 weeks of half- ...	217,949	128,407 5 8	15,66,020 0	95,713 0 9	5,053 2 1	2,29,173 8 6	42,297	74,201	116,498
Total for 11 weeks ...	238,718	140,842 3 3	16,85,095 0	1,03,523 6 0	5,323 2 7	2,49,688 11 10	45,869	80,360	126,229
COMPARISON.									
For corresponding week of previous year ...	12,988	7,271 7 9	2,22,607 0	3,814 5 9	172 6 0	11,265 3 6	2,140	4,339	6,479
per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	82'73	46'31 0 0	1,417'88 0	24'30 0 0	1'14 0 0	71'76 0 0	13'63	27'64	41'27
For corresponding date of previous year ...	193,489	131,920 0 11	23,73,344 0	49,386 0 3	1,887 13 0	1,83,199 14 2	30,716	47,740	78,456

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Audited Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 20TH MARCH 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 21ST MARCH 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1896 TO 20TH MARCH 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 21ST MARCH 1896.			Total increase in 1897.	Total decrease in 1897.
Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.		
Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
10,515	58'18	157	11,265	71'75	360	6,67,024	.....	157	3,97,626	.....		2,69,398	.....

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the Week ended 1st May 1897 on 348 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. s.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Traffic for the week ...	20,171	10,510 0 0	1,98,333 0	7,997 0 0	266 0 0	18,773 0 0	2,836	7,743	10,579
per mile of railway ...	57'96	30'20 0 0	559'93 0	22'21 0 0	74 0 0	53'15 0 0	8'15	21'31	29'46
Previous 16 weeks of half- (a) ...	333,823	1,93,802 0 0	26,88,344 0	1,37,960 0 0	8,479 0 0	3,40,321 0 0	64,022	115,164	179,186
Total for 17 weeks ...	353,994	2,04,392 0 0	28,86,677 0	1,45,957 0 0	8,745 0 0	3,69,094 0 0	66,858	122,907	189,765
COMPARISON.									
For corresponding week of previous year ...	13,175	6,808 13 0	2,54,313 0	4,789 8 0	144 6 0	11,742 11 0	2,040	4,501	6,541
per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	83'92	43'37 0 0	1,492'44 0	30'50 0 0	42 0 0	74'79 0 0	12'99	28'67	41'66
For corresponding date of previous year ...	273,843	1,74,361 7 9	38,73,742 0	82,431 11 3	2,930 14 9	2,59,724 1 9	42,367	75,588	117,955

(a) Includes audited figures to 13th March 1897.

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Approximate Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 1ST MAY 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 2ND MAY 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1897 TO 1ST MAY 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 2ND MAY 1896.			Total increase in 1897.	Total decrease in 1897.
Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.		
Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
18,773	...	157	11,743	74'79	360	82,769	.....	157	59,092	.....		23,677	.....

EASTERN BENGAL STATE RAILWAY.
(INCLUDING N. B., DACCA, K.-D., AND ASSAM-BEHAR SECTIONS.)

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 814 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (including ferry).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	198,800	1,03,860 0 0	6,29,750 0	1,10,600 0 0	6,190 0 0	2,20,650 0 0	81,000	37,356	1,18,356
Or per mile of railway ...	244	828 0 0	772 0	136 0 0	*1 0 0	*265 0 0	.....	.....	.....
For previous 17 weeks of half-year† ...	3,425,764	18,46,183 0 0	1,33,81,948 0	19,92,176 0 0	2,35,722 0 0	40,74,081 0 0	589,937	568,929	1,158,866
Total for 18 weeks ...	3,624,564	19,50,043 0 0	1,40,10,698 0	21,02,776 0 0	2,41,912 0 0	42,94,731 0 0	620,937	601,285	1,222,222
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding period of previous year ...	230,801	99,479 0 0	6,69,222 0	1,05,675 0 0	7,915 0 0	2,13,069 0 0	39,015	29,003	68,018
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	284	122 0 0	823 0	130 0 0	1 0 0	253 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	3,906,487	19,45,183 0 0	1,50,18,044 0	22,53,003 0 0	3,75,137 0 0	44,73,323 0 0	582,738	568,846	1,151,584

* Excluding steamer earnings.
† Audited up to 13th March 1897.

DACCA STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 86 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	20,319	6,820 0 0	15,590 0	1,330 0 0	60 0 0	8,310 0 0	3,383	440	3,823
Or per mile of railway ...	236	79 0 0	181 0	15 0 0	1 0 0	95 0 0	.....	.....	.....
For previous 17 weeks of half-year* ...	367,010	1,11,558 0 0	564,565 0	48,951 0 0	3,229 0 0	1,63,738 0 0	45,453	16,676	62,129
Total for 18 weeks ...	387,329	1,18,378 0 0	580,155 0	50,281 0 0	3,289 0 0	1,71,948 0 0	48,835	17,122	65,957
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding period of previous year ...	20,770	6,022 0 0	24,090 0	2,041 0 0	78 0 0	8,141 0 0	2,360	967	3,327
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	242	70 0 0	280 0	24 0 0	1 0 0	95 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	422,960	1,33,400 0 0	490,460 0	45,937 0 0	4,398 0 0	1,83,735 0 0	45,293	15,503	60,796

* Audited up to 13th March 1897.

BENGAL AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.
(INCLUDES TIRHUT STATE RAILWAY.)

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ending 1st May 1897 on (a) 815 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated), including steam-boat.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN	
	Number of passengers.	Receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.
		Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
Total traffic for the week on 815 miles open ...	113,310	(b) 43,209	6,86,510	(c) 82,190	(e) 17,080	(b) 1,42,470	15,848	(d) 24,413
Or per mile of railway ...	139'03	53'01	842'34	100'85	20'96	174'82	.....	.....
For previous 16½ weeks of half-year (e) ...	1,712,920	7,52,581	77,55,879	9,70,745	2,48,456	19,51,782	254,953	356,474
Total for 17½ weeks ...	1,826,230	7,75,781	84,42,389	10,52,935	2,65,536	20,94,259	270,800	380,887
COMPARISON.								
Total for corresponding week of previous year on 756 miles open	160,185	63,446	4,95,500	69,894	14,569	1,47,909	14,511	(f) 24,064
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	211'88	83'92	655'42	92'45	19'27	196'65	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	2,035,657	8,40,739	85,66,704	11,61,496	2,62,312	22,54,547	246,766	397,887

- (a) Decrease of 4 miles is due to the exclusion of temporary mileage at Palea Ghat and revision of mileage between Gonda and Burhwal on 25th April.
- (b) Decrease in passengers is chiefly due to earnings having been high last year.
- (c) Increase is due to brisker traffic.
- (d) Includes 531 miles of ballast trains run on open line.
- (e) Audited figures up to week ending 27th February 1897.
- (f) 3,919 miles of ballast trains run on open line.

DARJEELING-HIMALAYAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

						Rs.	A.	P.
Approximate earnings for the week ending 8th May 1897	...	...	...	...	...	17,250	0	0
Corresponding period of 1896	...	...	...	...	...	18,887	0	0
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	1,637	0	0
Receipts per mile for the week ending 8th May 1897	...	...	...	...	...	338	3	9
Corresponding period of 1896	...	...	...	...	...	370	5	4
Decrease	...	...	...	...	...	32	1	5
Receipts from 1st January to 8th May 1897	2,22,568	0	0
Corresponding period of 1896	2,69,608	0	0
Decrease	47,040	0	0



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WATER-SUPPLY.

No. 2841 L.S.-G.—The 25th May 1897.—The following report of the progress made in the district of Bhagalpur in collecting and placing on record the chief facts regarding water-supply is published for general information.

H. H. RISLEY,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 153L., dated Bhagalpur, the 11th May 1897.

From—W. B. OLDHAM, Esq., C.I.E., Commissioner of the Bhagalpur Division and Sonthal Parganas,

To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Municipal Department.

IN continuation of my No. 1098L., dated 13th January 1897, I have the honour to submit the following report regarding the water-supply in each district of this Division and the action taken to improve it for the quarter ending March 1897.

2. *Preparation of registers.*—In the Monghyr Municipality the prescribed registers are still being prepared from the reports made by the Ward Commissioners on the water-supply of the town.

3. In Bhagalpur the Local Boards have prepared registers for thanas Amarpur, Supaul, and Partabganj with the help of the local police. The registers for the remaining thanas are in course of preparation.

4. In Purnea forms I and II were reported to have been wrongly prepared, and were found defective. Revised forms of No. I for all the thanas in the Kishanganj subdivision have been received, and the Chairman of the Araria Local Board reports that Return No. II for 105 out of 159 villages have been revised. In the Sadar subdivision form No. II has been revised for all the thanas except Gondwara, and Register No. I is being compiled.

5. In Malda form No. II was completed by the District Board some time ago, and form No. I is in course of preparation.

The registers in forms I and II have since been prepared by the Old Malda Municipality.

6. In the subdivisions of Deoghur and Jamtara in the Sonthal Parganas it is reported that the registers in forms I and II prescribed by Government Circular No. 87.M., dated 15th May 1896, have been completed as far as was possible. In the Pakour subdivision a register in form No. II has been opened. In the Godda subdivision enquiries have been made in 50 villages regarding the existing sources of water-supply. The Deputy Commissioner has not yet received any report from the Subdivisional Officers of Rajmahal and Dumka.

7. *Water-supply and improvement.*—The Commissioners of the Monghyr Municipality have provided a sum of Rs. 800 in the current year's budget for water-works, and intend to sink a few more wells in the town. The town has, however, an ample supply of good drinking-water from the Ganges. The Magistrate has submitted no report as regards the District Board's area, but there is no scarcity of water-supply in any part of it.

8. It is reported that the question of taking steps to improve the existing sources of water-supply will be considered by the Bhagalpur District Board as soon as the information called for from the Local Boards is received. In the town of Bhagalpur itself the water-works extension has been completed, and all the wards are now supplied with filtered water.

9. In Purnea, since the submission of the last report, three more estimates have been sanctioned for repair and renewal of the existing wells on the roadsides.

10. In Malda Rs. 220 were spent during the quarter in re-excavating a tank at Parbatipur in the high land tract. This work was not completed at the close of the quarter. Arrangements were made for digging a new tank at Maharajpur, and for re-excavating tanks at Nachol, Nazirpur, and Pandua. During the quarter zamindars re-excavated a large number of tanks, thus relieving and helping the Board. No steps were taken in either of the little municipalities—English Bazar and Old Malda, which stand on the Mahananda, the water of which is always excellent. One pukka well, however, is being reclaimed in the former Municipality, and in the latter an attempt has been made to induce the Raja Shoshi Shekhar Roy of Tahirpur to cleanse his tank (Babakar), which occupies a central position in the town.

11. The Municipal Commissioners of Deoghur in the Sonthal Parganas have resolved to sink a public municipal well in the hospital compound and to deepen the school well.

The Manager of the Rohini estate under the Court of Wards has been applied to to repair the Haridrakund tank.

The Manager of the Lachmipur estate has similarly been applied to for thorough repairs to the "Bhairab Talao" at a rough estimated cost of Rs. 800.

12. The Deputy Commissioner reports that for Deoghur and Jamtara subdivisions the water-supply is said to be sufficient for the wants of the population. Besides tanks and wells, there are in Jamtara numerous springs, water-courses and rivers, which, if uncontaminated, would provide wholesome and abundant water to the people. Steps are being taken to put a stop to the practice of contaminating these sources by the cremation of dead bodies.

13. In Deoghur Babu Ram Charan Singh Ghatwal wishes to vest his tank "Jamuna" in mauza Bamangama in the Deputy Commissioner as representing Government.

14. The Subdivisional Officer of Godda has, it is reported, taken steps to improve the tanks, bandhs, and wells which were found to be defective.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE SALT MARKET FOR THE FOURTH, QUARTER OF 1896-97.

No. 386B., dated Calcutta, the 17th May 1897.

From—H. LUSON, ESQ., I.C.S., Offg. Secretary to the Board of Revenue, L.P.,
To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Financial Department.

I AM directed to submit the following report on the state of the salt market for the fourth quarter of 1896-97, comprising the months of January, February and March 1897.

SALT.

THE HON'BLE MR. W. H. GRIMLEY.

2. The quantity of salt of every description cleared during the quarter under review, amounted to 26,63,599 maunds, as compared with 24,40,628 maunds in the previous quarter, and 24,00,904 maunds in the corresponding quarter of the previous year; and the net amount of duty levied thereon was Rs. 63,09,759, against Rs. 57,12,378 in the previous quarter, and Rs. 54,88,437 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. (In all cases fractions are omitted.)

3. The quantity of locally-made salt removed from the *golas* in Orissa during the quarter under review, and the quantity which remained in store at the close of the quarter, are shown in Table I below:—

TABLE I.

1	2
	Puri.
	Mds.
Balance at the close of the previous quarter ...	4,16,277
Manufactured or added during the quarter ...	.....
Total ...	4,16,277
Sold during the quarter ...	2,688
Wastage ...	.....
Total ...	2,688
Balance at the close of the quarter ...	4,13,589

The total sales of locally-made salt during the quarter under review, amounted to 2,688 maunds, as compared with 9,272 maunds in the previous quarter, and 19,275 maunds in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Duty was paid during the quarter on the full quantity sold.

4. The subjoined Table II shows in detail the importations into the port of Calcutta and the total clearances of sea-imported salt during the quarter under

review, as compared with the figures of the corresponding quarters of the previous two years:—

TABLE II.

WHENCE IMPORTED.	1894-95.		1895-96.		1896-97.	
	Fourth quarter.		Fourth quarter.		Fourth quarter.	
	Imported.	Cleared.	Imported.	Cleared.	Imported.	Cleared.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I.—United Kingdom ...	Mds. 13,16,358	Mds. 14,28,074	Mds. 8,02,538	Mds. 10,64,997	Mds. 12,15,200	Mds. 11,17,163
II.—Hamburg ...	3,71,843	3,20,862	1,91,155	3,13,284	3,88,189	2,65,040
III.—Straits Settlements ...	.....	.....	3	3	.....	.....
Zanzibar ...	.....	.....	21	21	.....	.....
Victoria ...	.....	.....	5	5	.....	.....
Muscat ...	66,422	54,304	.....	18,934	.....	45,240
Linga ...	3,500	31,866	23,225	23,430	21,100	1,09,960
Ras Rawayah. &c. ...	.....	1,13,673	.....	2,69,196	.....	3,51,835
IV.—Salief ...	89,833	5,180	.....	33,440	2,17,778	88,886
Hanjam ...	98,922	24,214	.....	72,150	.....	65,162
Aden ...	3,01,687	2,55,028	2,40,015	2,46,310	4,29,621	3,69,967
V.—Madras ...	.....	.....	2,032	2,032	15,006	7,868
VI.—Bombay ...	2,87,294	1,50,853	1,12,936	1,12,102	57,825	1,16,861
Total ...	25,35,850	23,93,054	13,71,930	21,55,904	23,44,779	24,77,882

5. Table III shows the quantity of sea-imported salt remaining in the warehouses at the close of the quarter under review, as compared with the results of the previous four quarters:—

TABLE III.

WHERE STORED.	Fourth quarter of 1895-96.	First quarter of 1896-97.	Second quarter of 1896-97.	Third quarter of 1896-97.	Fourth quarter of 1896-97.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Sulkea Government Salt golas ...	Mds. 25,30,946	Mds. 13,39,359	Mds. 17,93,953	Mds. 13,11,553	Mds. 10,11,939
Kidderpore Dock ditto ...	5,49,200	1,72,853	1,703	5,866	34,824
Ditto private golas ...	3,06,777	1,45,701	18,168	60	16,861
Chittagong Government Salt golas ...	60,960	48,953	44,163	20,235	.....
Ditto private ditto ...	.....	.....	.....	2,390	21,464
Narayanganj (Salt Bonded Warehouse of Messrs. Turner, Morrison & Co.) ...	.....	.....	5,038	6,774	4,332
Khulna (ditto) ...	6,949	1,246	.....	3,936	910
Malasore (ditto) ...	8,552	137	.....	10,684	10,224
Chandbali (ditto) ...	3,066	3,724	.....	2,000	225
Bhairab Bazar (ditto) ...	2,869	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	34,69,340	17,11,973	18,63,025	13,63,428	11,00,279

6. The despatches of salt from Calcutta by water and the three railways passing the several pass-stations into the interior of the country, both east and west of the river Hooghly, as well as the despatches by steamers and flats during the quarter under review and the corresponding quarters of the previous two years, are shown in table IV below:—

TABLE IV.

PERIOD.	BY WATER.					BY RAIL.			BY STEAMERS AND FLATS.	
	Via Balikhal.	Via Sankrail.	Via Gowan-khally.	Via Kidderpore.	Via Ballia-ghats.	Via Rutherford-ghat.	By the East Indian Rail-way.	By the East-Bengal and South-Eastern Rail-ways or via Chitpur.	Quantity des- patched to the interior (excluding Orissa).	Quantity des- patched to Orissa.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fourth quarter of 1894-95...	Mds. 1,63,915	Mds. 1,34,304	Mds. 86,126	Mds. 70,657	Mds. 4,62,209	Mds. 397	Mds. 7,52,183	Mds. 1,63,190	Mds. 2,57,108	Mds. 58,790
Ditto of 1895-96...	85,808	1,26,544	81,546	47,300	3,46,628	1,211	9,35,620	1,64,087	1,72,770	29,370
Ditto of 1896-97...	87,578	1,24,211	88,482	54,480	4,64,919	652	10,92,501	2,14,117	2,88,064	37,520

7. The quantity of salt despatched by the East Indian Railway to stations beyond Buxar during the quarter under review, amounted to 3,747 maunds and 20 seers, as noted in the margin, against 11,991 maunds and 10 seers in the previous quarter, and 33,347 maunds and 10 seers in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

8. The quantity of saltpetre removed from the refineries during the quarter on payment of duty, amounted to 13,333 maunds, against 6,982 maunds in the previous quarter, and 12,134 maunds in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

9. The shipments of Liverpool salt for the port of Calcutta, according to the published market reports, were as follows :—

				Tons.
January	...	...	...	15,140
February	...	...	...	7,510
March	...	...	...	37,810
Total	...	...	...	60,460

It is reported that two sailing vessels were *en route* for Calcutta at the close of the quarter, with 3,900 tons of salt from Hamburg.

10. Table V shows the average wholesale price per 100 maunds of Liverpool and other descriptions of salt during each fortnight of the quarter under review :—

TABLE V.

DESCRIPTION OF SALT.	Fortnight ending 15th Jan. 1897.	Fortnight ending 31st Jan. 1897.	Fortnight ending 15th Feb. 1897.	Fortnight ending 28th Feb. 1897.	Fortnight ending 15th March 1897.	Fortnight ending 31st March 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Liverpool panka	105 3 6	109 10 0	103 6 6	96 5 9	95 3 1	100 12 0
Hamburg Karkach	99 0 0	98 0 0	.....	88 6 0	79 3 8	76 8 7
Mascat ditto	39 7 7	42 13 9	42 2 0	45 14 4	42 5 2	50 0 0
Jeddah ditto	61 4 7	.....	78 12 4	78 1 0	59 10 8	57 6 0
Bombay ditto	54 14 5	56 0 0	60 0 0	58 8 0	58 0 0	58 0 0
Rock ditto ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

11. The following table VI shows the quantity of sea-imported salt admitted into and cleared from bond and shipboard at Chittagong, Narayanganj, Khulna, Balasore, Chandbali and Bhairab Bazar (Mymensingh) during the quarter under review, and the corresponding quarter of the previous year :—

TABLE VI.

PORT OR STATION.	Description of salt.	ADMITTED INTO BOND.		CLEARED.	
		Fourth quarter of 1895-96.	Fourth quarter of 1896-97.	Fourth quarter of 1895-96.	Fourth quarter of 1896-97.
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Mds. s. c.	Mds. s. c.	Mds. s. c.	Mds. s. c.
Chittagong	Liverpool	1,21,637 0 0	26,267 0 0	70,599 10 0	53,468 33 4
	Maldiva ... ..	.....	.....	0 6 0	0 10 0
Narayanganj	Liverpool ... ..	.....	62,434 0 0	29,866 20 0	50,990 0 0
Khulna	Ditto	13,469 0 0	23,270 0 0	7,265 0 0	22,521 0 0
Balasore	Ditto	19,560 0 0	4,510 0 0	13,180 8 0	7,339 16 12
Chandbali	Ditto	26,302 0 0	21,705 0 0	25,888 16 0	21,674 37 8
Bhairab Bazar	Ditto ... ..	.....	25,000 0 0	7,000 0 0	26,634 12 0
	Total	1,80,965 0 0	1,63,186 0 0	1,53,799 20 0	1,82,528 29 8

No transactions in sea-imported salt have been reported for the quarter from Cuttack or Puri.

STOCKS OF RICE IN AND AROUND CALCUTTA.

No. 1257 Stats.—The following is published for general information.

M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Statement showing the Stocks of Rice in and around Calcutta during May 1897.

NAMES OF MARTS.	Stock in hand as compiled on—							
	1st week of May 1896. Mds.	2nd week of Apr. 1897. Mds.	3rd week of Apr. 1897. Mds.	4th week of Apr. 1897. Mds.	1st week of May 1897. Mds.	2nd week of May 1897. Mds.	3rd week of May 1897. Mds.	4th week of May 1897. Mds.
Baliaghatta	6,63,000	4,53,000	3,98,000	3,90,000	3,83,000	3,89,500	3,82,000	3,70,000
Ultadanga	61,500	28,200	29,500	27,500	27,800	23,500	27,900	28,200
Chitpur, Golabari, Kumartuly, Hatkola, and Culp Ghat...	6,33,000	1,77,500	1,63,300	1,59,300	1,50,400	1,72,500	1,59,900	1,64,100
Pathuriaghatta, Posta, and Jorabagan	3,000	2,600	2,200	2,100	2,100	1,800	2,000	2,000
Tollygunge, Chetla, Kidderpore, and Munshiganj	2,28,000	1,17,500	1,06,200	1,04,300	88,600	83,100	98,000	94,100
Minor bazars (1)	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000	2,40,000
Other retail shops (1)	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000
Ramkrishnapur*	.....	81,100	64,500	70,300	71,700	66,700	72,500	78,000
Baidyabati, Nawabganj, Bhadres- war, and Chandernagore†	1,836	13,050	10,603	4,925	8,075	10,575	8,021	6,896
Total	20,80,936	13,62,950	12,64,303	12,48,425	12,21,675	12,37,675	12,40,321	12,33,294
On Railway premises on both sides of the river.‡	8,650 (on 3rd May 1896).	1,31,533 (on 4th Apr. 1897).	79,736 (on 17th Apr. 1897).	23,222 (on 24th Apr. 1897).	1,17,648 (on 1st May 1897).	46,078 (on 8th May 1897).	84,873 (on 15th May 1897).	1,11,951 (on 22nd May 1897).
On boats not yet unloaded— By Port Commissioners' returns	16,438 (on 3rd May 1896).	24,378 (3rd to 5th Apr. 1897).	22,818 (17th to 19th Apr. 1897).	35,371 (24th to 26th Apr. 1897).	29,553 (1st to 3rd May 1897).	37,849 (8th to 10th May 1897).	40,923 (15th to 17th May 1897).	26,265 (22nd to 24th May 1897).
By Canal returns	7,282 (1st to 3rd May 1897).	15,917 (3rd to 5th Apr. 1897).	6,769 (17th to 19th Apr. 1897).	16,525 (24th to 26th Apr. 1897).	11,128 (1st to 3rd May 1897).	4,288 (8th to 10th May 1897).	10,030 (15th to 17th May 1897).	1,638 (22nd to 24th May 1897).
Grand Total of Stocks	21,13,306	15,34,778	13,73,626	13,23,543	13,79,904	13,25,890	13,76,147	13,73,148

* This mart is in the Howrah district, and the figures have been obtained by local enquiry.

† Figures furnished by the Collector of Hooghly.

‡ Ditto by the Railway authorities.

(1) Estimated as a constant quantity.

M. FINUCANE,
Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

STATISTICS OF THE SEA-BORNE TRAFFIC OF CALCUTTA
IN FOOD-GRAINS.

No. 1267 Statistics.—The following memorandum and statements are published for general information.

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 25th May 1897.

M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Memorandum.

The sea-borne import and export traffic of Calcutta in food-grains during the week ending the 14th May 1896, and the corresponding period of 1897, is shown in the following statement:—

		8TH TO 14TH MAY			
		1896.		1897.	
1		2	3	4	5
<i>Imports.</i>		Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
From Foreign Ports	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Indian "	...	46,734	63,610	292,795	3,98,526
Total	...	46,734	63,610	292,795	3,98,526
<i>Exports.</i>					
To Foreign Ports	...	32,390	44,086	9,621	13,095
" Indian "	...	21,563	29,350	4,201	5,718
Total	...	53,953	73,436	13,822	18,813

Imports.—The different staples comprising the import traffic are shown in the table below, and the figures for the week are compared with those for the corresponding period of last year:—

		8TH TO 14TH MAY			
		1896.		1897.	
1		2	3	4	5
<i>Food-grains.</i>		Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
Rice	...	37,176	50,601	233,058	3,17,218
Paddy	...	9,558	13,009	56,829	77,350
Wheat	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gram and pulses	...	.....	.....	2,908	3,958
Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	...	46,734	63,610	292,795	3,98,526

Imports.—The total imports of rice during the week ending the 14th May 1897 amounted to 233,058 cwts. against 37,176 cwts. in the corresponding period in 1896. Of this quantity, Burma contributed 199,998 cwts., Chandbally 24,501 cwts., Balasore 8,076 cwts., and Madras 483 cwts. Owing chiefly to the import of 56,057 cwts. of paddy from Burma, the figures under that head rose from 9,558 cwts. to 56,829 cwts. The imports of gram and pulse were 2,903 cwts. against nil in the corresponding week of 1896, Chandbali contributing 2,505 cwts. and Rangoon 403 cwts.

Exports.—In the following statement the total quantity of each kind of food-grain exported by sea during the week ending 14th May 1897 is compared with the figures for the corresponding period of 1896 :—

	8TH TO 14TH MAY.			
	1896.		1897.	
1	2	3	4	5
	Cwts.	Mds.	Cwts.	Mds.
<i>Food-grains.</i>				
Rice	26,600	36,206	9,036	12,299
Paddy	1,327	1,806	.....	...
Wheat	5,783	7,871	536	729
Gram and pulses	19,554	26,615	4,123	5,612
Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	689	938	127	173
Total ...	53,953	73,436	13,822	18,813

The exports of rice from Calcutta to foreign ports declined from 16,309 cwts. in the second week of May 1896 to 8,649 cwts. in the period under report. During the week ending 14th May 1896, Natal took 8,066 cwts., while in the week under report nothing was sent to that port; Ceylon received 2,786 cwts., against 5,063 cwts. in the corresponding week of last year. An increase, however, occurred in the shipment to United Kingdom, viz., 5,861 cwts. against 3,149 cwts. In paddy there was no trade against 1,097 cwts. in the week ending 14th May 1896. The decline in the wheat trade was almost entirely owing to there being no shipments to the United Kingdom, against 5,005 cwts. in the week ending 14th May 1896. The exports of gram and pulse to the United Kingdom diminished from 9,603 cwts., in the corresponding week of 1896, to only 206 cwts. in the week under review.

The falling off of 9,904 cwts. in the exports of rice to Indian ports, viz., from 10,291 cwts. to 337 cwts., was due to a decrease of 6,502 cwts. in the shipments to Bombay, and of 2,987 cwts. to Madras ports.

The trade in gram and pulse was one-third that of 1896, viz., 3,361 cwts. against 9,630 cwts., the decline being chiefly due to the exports to Bombay having diminished by 5,292 cwts. The variations in the other heads are unimportant and call for no remarks.

Detailed statements showing the sources of supply and the places of destination, both as regards Foreign and Indian ports, are given below :—

Statement No. I, showing the Imports of Food-grains into Calcutta from Foreign and Indian Ports during the week ending 14th May 1896 and 1897.

PORTS.			Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total.
1			2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>From Indian Ports.</i>			Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Madras—Bimlipatam	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 483	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... 483
Burma	{ Rangoon	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 174,301	..... 48,173	..... .....	..... 403	..... .....	..... 222,877
	{ Moulmein	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 18,960	..... 7,092	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... 26,052
	{ Akyab	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 6,737	..... 792	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... 7,529
Balasore	{ Balasore	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 37,176	..... 9,558	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... 46,734
	{ Chandbali	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... 8,076	..... 676	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... 8,752
			..... 24,501	..... 96	..... .....	..... 2,505	..... .....	..... 27,102
Total Indian Ports			{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 37,176 233,058	{ 9,558 56,829	{ 2,908	{	{ 46,734 292,795
From Foreign Ports			{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{	{	{	{	{
GRAND TOTAL OF FOREIGN AND INDIAN PORTS			{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 37,176 233,058	{ 9,558 56,829	{ 2,908	{	{ 46,734 292,795

Statement No. II, showing the Exports of Food-grains from Calcutta to Foreign and Indian Ports during the week ending 14th May 1896 and 1897.

PORTS.			Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total.
1			2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>To Foreign Ports.</i>			Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
United Kingdom	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	3,149 5,861	..... .....	5,005	9,603 206	..... .....	17,757 6,067
Malta	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	2 .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	2
Natal	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	8,066 .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	8,066
Ceylon	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	5,063 2,786	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	5,063 2,786
China—Hongkong	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	..... .....	1,097 .....	..... 15	..... 3	..... .....	1,097 18
Straits Settlements	...	{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	29 2	..... .....	29 178	321 553	26 17	405 750
Total Foreign Ports			{ 1896 ... 1897 ...	{ 16,309 8,649	{ 1,097	{ 5,034 193	{ 9,924 762	{ 32,390 9,621

Ports.			Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.	Total.
1			2	3	4	5	6	7
To Indian Ports.								
Bombay	{	1896	6,502			5,292		11,794
		1897						
		1896	15			962		977
		1897			146	894		1,040
Madras	{	1896						
		1897	13					13
		1896	1,511					1,511
		1897						
Madras	{	1896			1			1
		1897						
		1896				292		292
		1897			147	177		324
Madras	{	1896				220		220
		1897				73		73
		1896	1,474					1,474
		1897						
Burma	{	1896	786		704	2,232	663	4,385
		1897	370			1,856	110	2,336
		1896	3		7	270		280
		1897	4			107		111
Burma	{	1896				3		3
		1897				13		13
		1896				92		92
		1897				29		29
Chittagong	{	1896				12		12
		1897				125		125
		1896						
		1897				40		40
Balasore	{	1896						
		1897						
		1896			37	231		268
		1897			50	47		97
Port Blair	{	1896				24		24
		1897						
		1896		230				230
		1897						
Cochin—Narrakal	{	1896						
		1897						
		1896	10,231	230	749	9,630	663	21,563
		1897	387		343	3,361	110	4,201
Total Indian Ports			10,231	230	749	9,630	663	21,563
			387		343	3,361	110	4,201
GRAND TOTAL OF FOREIGN AND INDIAN PORTS.			26,600	1,327	5,783	19,554	689	53,953
			9,036		536	4,123	127	13,822

STATISTICS OF THE SEA-BORNE TRAFFIC OF THE MINOR PORTS
IN BENGAL IN FOOD-GRAINS.

No. 1258 Statistics.—The following memorandum and statements are published for general information.

STATISTICAL DEPT.,
The 25th May 1897.

M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Memorandum.

THE comparative statements below give statistics of the import and export trade of the minor ports of Chittagong, Narayanganj, Balasore (including both Balasore and Chandbali), Cuttack and Puri during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896 :—

IMPORTS.

Ports.			From Foreign ports.	From Indian ports.	Total.	
			Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Mds.
Chittagong ...	{ 1896	...	.....	208	208	283
	{ 1897	...	.....	13,188	13,188	17,950
Narayanganj ...	{ 1896	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
	{ 1897	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balasore ports...	{ 1896	...	.....	376	376	512
	{ 1897	...	.....	379	379	516
Cuttack ...	{ 1896	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
	{ 1897	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Puri ...	{ 1896	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
	{ 1897	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	{ 1896	...	.....	584	584	795
	{ 1897	...	.....	13,567	13,567	18,466

EXPORTS.

Ports,			To Foreign ports.	To Indian ports.	Total.	
			Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Mds.
Chittagong ...	{ 1896	...	.....	1,096	1,096	1,492
	{ 1897	...	.....	3	3	4
Narayanganj ...	{ 1896	...	.....	36	36	49
	{ 1897	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balasore ports...	{ 1896	...	.....	27,116	27,116	36,908
	{ 1897	...	.....	38,218	38,218	52,019
Cuttack ...	{ 1896	...	2,880	32,246	35,126	47,810
	{ 1897	...	46,484	.....	46,484	63,270
Puri ...	{ 1896	...	6,029	1,408	7,437	10,122
	{ 1897	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	{ 1896	...	8,909	61,902	70,811	96,381
	{ 1897	...	46,484	38,221	84,705	1,15,293

Imports.
The falling off of 1,093 cwts. in the export trade of Chittagong was principally due to the cessation of despatches of rice to Cochin. The absence of exports of rice to Columbo, Cochin and Bombay accounts for the decline in the trade of Puri, while that of Balasore and Cuttack improved by 11,102 cwts. and 11,358 cwts., respectively, mainly on account of larger despatches of rice to Calcutta and Mauritius.

Exports.

Owing chiefly to the receipts of rice and paddy from Burma, Chittagong showed a rise of 12,980 cwts.

Detailed statements showing the sources of supply and the places of destination, both as regards Foreign and Indian ports, are given below:—

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains imported into Chittagong from each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS FROM WHICH IMPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Nil	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Indian Ports.</i>												
Burma {Akyab ... ..	.....	9,926	.....	276	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,202
{Rangoon... ..	.....	9,799	.....	123	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,022
Calcutta ... ..	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	168	64	.....	.....	171	64
Narayanganj... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	37	.....
Total	3	19,725	.....	399	.....	.....	205	64	.....	.....	208	13,188

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains exported from Chittagong to each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS TO WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.		TOTAL.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Nil	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Indian Ports.</i>												
Madras—Cochin	1,096	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1,096	3
Burma—Akyab ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	1,096	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1,096	3

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains exported from Narayanganj to each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS TO WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Nil	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Indian Port.</i>												
Chittagong ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	36	.....
Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	36	.....

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains imported into Balasore from each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS FROM WHICH IMPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Nil												
<i>Indian Port.</i>												
Calcutta					15	47	361	176		156	376	379
Total					15	47	361	176		156	376	379

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains exported from Balasore to each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS TO WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains, such as jowar, barley, oats, &c.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Nil												
<i>Indian Port.</i>												
Calcutta	15,504	35,824	9,016	235	46		2,550	2,159			27,116	38,318
Total	15,504	35,824	9,016	235	46		2,550	2,159			27,116	38,318

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains exported from False Point in the Cuttack District to each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS TO WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<i>Foreign Ports.</i>	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Columbo	2,880											
Mauritius		46,484									2,880	46,484
Total	2,880	46,484									2,880	46,484
<i>Indian Ports.</i>												
Madras-Cochin	31,210						1,036				32,246	
GRAND TOTAL	34,090	46,484					1,036				35,136	46,484

Statement showing the quantities of Food-grains exported from Puri to each Foreign and Indian Port during the week ending 21st April 1897, as compared with the trade of the corresponding period of 1896.

PORTS TO WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.		Paddy.		Wheat.		Gram and pulse.		Other food-grains.		Total.	
	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.	1896.	1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Foreign Port.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Columbo	6,029										6,029	
Indian Port.												
Madras-Cochin	734										734	
Bombay	674										674	
Total	1,408										1,408	
GRAND TOTAL	7,437										7,437	

EXPORTS OF FOOD-GRAINS BY THE EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

No. 1265 Statistics.—The following statement shows the quantity of rice and other food-grains exported by the East Indian Railway from Calcutta and Howrah during the period from 1st January to 15th May 1897, both days inclusive, to have been 50,94,878 maunds. The destination of 49,02,678 maunds is specified. About half of this quantity (22,12,626 maunds) was carried to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, about one-third (17,07,449 maunds) to stations in Bengal, and the rest (9,82,603 maunds) to other provinces. In the last week of the period 76,168 maunds were exported to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and 1,47,663 maunds to Bihar.

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Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 25th May 1897.

Statement showing the quantities of rice and other food-grains exported from Howrah and Calcutta (Chitpur, Kidderpur Docks, and Port Trust Railway) by the East Indian Railway from 1st January to 15th May 1897.

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.	Week ending 15th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BENGAL.							
<i>Hooghly.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Tarakeswar ...	243	...	...	990	247	...	...
Chandernagore ...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dasghora ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	103
Pandua ...	4	...	...	10	...	...	...
Bainchi ...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhadreswar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	320
Total	272	...	...	1,000	247	...	423
<i>Burdwan.</i>							
Memari ...	58	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rasulpur ...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan ...	95	62	104	370	110	353	...
Raniganj ...	1,460	940	1,270	1,428	2,099	858	394
Sitampur ...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ghuskara ...	103	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kann Junction ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	349
Total	1,730	1,002	1,374	1,798	2,209	1,211	743
<i>Birbhum.</i>							
Matarai ...	...	...	378	...	...	...	...
Bolpur ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sainthia ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rampur Hat ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ahmadpur ...	...	...	...	...	158	150	375
	...	...	...	...	...	200	102
Total	3	...	378	...	158	1,561	477
<i>Nadia.</i>							
Mirpur ...	...	...	380	977	372	...	...
Chuadanga ...	353	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kushtia ...	343	742	...	2,585	406	1,135	388
Alamdanga ...	...	888	...	914	...	1,401	227
Bhairamara ...	...	...	1,387	1,517	...	372	...
Damukdia ...	...	...	...	1,147	698	...	...
Bagula ...	...	...	...	...	1,054	...	1,385
Kumarkhali ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	351
Total	696	1,630	1,767	7,140	2,530	2,908	2,351
<i>Jessore.</i>							
Jessore ...	...	...	...	...	...	371	...
<i>Murshidabad.</i>							
Azinganj ...	157	154	445	2,006	2,279	383	...
Jiaganj ...	...	...	...	374	376	...	...
Total	157	154	445	2,380	2,655	383	...
<i>Rajshahi.</i>							
Maihar ...	...	...	...	...	376	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...	376	...	...
<i>Dinajpur.</i>							
Dinajpur ...	...	...	...	...	...	373	...
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Rangpur.</i>							
Saidpur ...	...	...	...	...	384	383	...
Kurigram ...	...	...	109	...	...	...	...
Lalmonir Hat ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Domer ...	55	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kaunia ...	...	...	...	383	302	...	...
Kaliganj ...	...	...	...	...	373	...	...
Total	55	...	109	383	1,059	766	387
<i>Cooch Behar.</i>							
Cooch Behar ...	755	377	1,498	9,549	2,999	3,368	1,091

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.	Week ending 15th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BENGAL—conold.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
<i>Jalpaiguri.</i>							
Haldibari ...	...	...	176	1,046	471	551	334
Jalpaiguri ...	392	...	2,336	5,694	6,752	4,118	942
Ramshai ...	...	731	382	737	...	...	...
Mal Bazar ...	...	...	394	381	370	...	...
Belakoba ...	...	...	...	101	...	...	...
Total ...	392	731	3,288	7,959	7,593	4,669	1,276
<i>Darjeeling.</i>							
Sonada ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	372
Siliguri ...	...	...	758	2,650	373	...	379
Ghoom ...	...	...	524	...	492	...	371
Darjeeling ...	382	346	201	...	...	...	372
Kurseong ...	...	...	...	3,364	...	371	382
Rangtang ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	383
Total ...	382	346	1,483	6,388	865	371	2,259
<i>Pabna.</i>							
Sirajganj ...	...	...	172	...	748	2,259	372
Total ...	...	...	172	...	748	2,259	372
<i>Faridpur.</i>							
Pangsa ...	...	...	...	2,209	378	...	...
Rajbari ...	...	...	...	1,125	...	...	...
Goalundo ...	...	...	...	962	...	...	1,165
Pachuria ...	...	...	...	1,024	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	5,320	378	...	1,165
TOTAL OF BENGAL	4,442	4,240	10,514	41,917	21,817	18,240	10,544
CHOTA NAGPUR.							
<i>Hazaribagh.</i>							
Giridih ...	750	376	1,101	5,518	4,138	1,906	758
Total ...	750	376	1,101	5,518	4,138	1,906	758
<i>Manbhum.</i>							
Purulia ...	22	...	...	...	1,851	1,099	...
Bulrampur ...	5	...	...	...	...	340	...
Barakar ...	3	...	...	...	...	153	...
Pradhan Khanta ...	1	...	...	485	383	...	...
Katrasgarh ...	...	...	...	...	...	101	...
Total ...	31	...	...	485	2,234	1,693	...
<i>Singbhum.</i>							
Chakradharpur ...	31	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	31	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL OF CHOTA NAGPUR...	812	376	1,101	6,003	6,372	3,599	758
BIHAR.							
<i>Sonthal Parganas.</i>							
Barharwa ...	...	...	...	754	380	374	...
Maharajpur Ghat ...	...	372	386	...	371	...	...
Pakour ...	...	6	...	371	746	...	1,891
Sahibganj ...	380	1,878	6,839	7,138	3,787	6,795	756
Baidyanath ...	2	...	2,319	3,015	2,464	750	380
Madhupur ...	...	...	...	...	414	1,251	390
Rajmahal ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	382	2,256	9,544	11,278	8,082	9,170	3,417
<i>Purnea.</i>							
Katihar Junction ...	...	...	...	756	...	1,505	...

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.	Week ending 15th May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BIHAR—contd.							
<i>Bhagalpur.</i>							
Nathnagar ...	...	...	...	1,525	...	381	400
Colgong ...	...	...	381	8,281	7,869	4,099	...
Pirpanti ...	...	...	1,502	7,156	746	1,916	...
Ghoga ...	...	370	1,878	...	...	...	...
Bhagalpur ...	764	...	4,958	18,105	3,001	2,272	10,630
Sultanganj ...	...	...	...	1,885	746	...	...
Raghupur ...	...	...	...	370	...	...	...
Pertabganj ...	...	...	...	...	374	...	...
Total	764	370	8,719	37,322	12,736	8,667	11,030
<i>Monghyr.</i>							
Bariarpur ...	...	...	...	382	...	...	...
Khagaria ...	...	...	...	2,620	1,559	...	1,148
Jamulpur ...	...	...	373	...	397	...	...
Lakhisarai ...	388	...	2,629	10,956	2,261	1,884	2,267
Monghyr ...	382	...	1,124	1,524	772	745	380
Garhara ...	2,268	377	385	12,047	2,299	1,453	1,149
Tegra ...	746	...	...	2,642	1,117	747	388
Jamui ...	...	...	...	1,182	...	757	...
Begamsarai ...	371	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burhi ...	...	...	...	1,516	383	...	...
Simultola ...	...	...	...	742	...	377	758
Nawadi ...	...	...	...	371	...	...	...
Total	4,155	377	4,511	33,982	8,788	5,963	6,090
<i>Patna.</i>							
Masaurhi ...	...	...	...	...	375	...	...
Khushrupur ...	...	...	2,682	4,178	1,906	...	2,042
Barh ...	1,548	376	1,532	4,129	2,247	1,504	1,159
Patna ...	12,781	22,465	15,054	47,135	7,631	7,333	17,475
Bankipore ...	1,491	...	...	375	748	...	...
Digha Ghat ...	2,376	889	4,158	12,462	2,625	4,564	8,921
Sadisapur ...	375	...	377	...	...	...	...
Bihta ...	1,211	126	376	746	379	389	375
Mokameh ...	...	756	2,340	10,495	377	746	2,265
Dinapur ...	...	375	...	1,516	753	1,119	1,153
Bukhtiarpur ...	...	...	...	1,868	...	752	380
Fatua ...	...	...	...	...	750	390	390
Total	19,782	25,987	26,519	82,904	17,791	16,797	34,160
<i>Gaya.</i>							
Gaya ...	...	1,475	5,271	16,138	9,764	7,477	1,161
Jahanabad ...	...	...	...	1,501	...	...	747
Bela ...	...	...	...	...	...	373	...
Mukdumpore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	371
Total	...	1,475	5,271	17,639	9,764	7,850	2,279
<i>Shahabad.</i>							
Bedadi ...	...	...	...	3,489	...	1,140	...
Raghunathpur ...	...	374	3,404	4,896	391	...	...
Arrah ...	1,129	370	1,896	11,277	1,918	432	1,508
Buxar ...	1,513	2,664	2,268	8,671	746	1,861	380
Dumraon ...	378	1,117	376	2,257	772	1,518	...
Total	3,020	4,525	7,944	30,590	3,827	4,951	1,888
<i>Darbhanga.</i>							
Sakri ...	...	...	...	374	...	1,504	380
Tamaria ...	...	...	1,133	371	...	747	...
Samastipur ...	...	3,133	7,136	20,705	10,675	10,580	6,084
Dalsingh Sarai ...	374	378	758	5,603	5,268	8,263	1,554
Darbhanga ...	8,169	3,791	26,144	54,972	19,131	20,666	15,975
Kamtaul ...	1,104	...	...	...	...	383	...
Waini ...	...	...	385	744	376	756	760
Total	9,647	7,302	35,556	82,769	35,450	42,896	24,753

STATION TO WHICH CONSIGNED.	Total from 1st to 30th January 1897.	Total from 31st Janu- ary to 27th February 1897.	Total from 28th Febru- ary to 27th March 1897.	Total from 28th March to 24th April 1897.	Week ending 1st May 1897.	Week ending 8th May 1897.	Week ending 15th April 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
BIHAR—concl'd.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
<i>Muzaffarpur.</i>							
Janakpur Road ...	...	...	...	750	382	...	...
Sarai ...	...	...	...	1,092	372	370	378
Bairagnia ...	...	748	...	...	381	...	1,131
Kanti ...	...	...	...	...	376	...	...
Matipur ...	1,022	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dholi ...	1,115	404	...	...	...	374	...
Muzaffarpur ...	6,843	9,996	40,791	42,067	23,008	27,865	12,585
Bhagwanpur ...	22	...	761	3,185	380	...	755
Sitamarhi ...	382	...	7,556	18,458	4,899	5,709	3,082
Hajipur ...	...	1,554	3,771	4,491	1,131	377	1,170
Total ...	9,384	12,702	52,879	70,043	30,829	34,695	19,081
<i>Champaran.</i>							
Maesi ...	1,018	...	3,768	3,357	1,116	1,915	...
Segowli ...	1,410	...	3,024	2,248	374	371	...
Jindara ...	6,735	3,417	2,984	...	...	7,139	1,110
Bettiah ...	5,727	11,007	59,559	27,927	4,896	...	9,861
Bara ...	507	...	2,255	6,349	2,617	5,988	7,627
Motihari ...	...	1,187	14,051	32,447	6,811	4,120	4,169
Pipra ...	...	...	373	1,526	1,127	378	1,141
Total ...	15,397	15,561	86,014	73,854	16,941	19,911	23,908
<i>Saran.</i>							
Dighwara ...	...	...	371	...	...	...	...
Ekma ...	...	2,314	1,499	3,376	375	...	1,483
Chapra ...	4,112	12,030	22,672	23,336	1,121	5,973	6,765
Goldenganj ...	2	...	...	371	...	...	...
Daronda ...	372	376	5,133	13,511	1,502	1,492	2,246
Savan ...	16,409	34,235	31,607	46,894	4,113	3,729	7,179
Revelganj ...	10,784	8,262	20,573	30,541	4,499	5,927	3,884
Mairwa ...	...	...	...	747	...	...	...
Total ...	31,679	57,217	81,855	1,18,776	11,610	20,121	21,057
TOTAL OF BIHAR ...	94,210	1,27,772	3,18,812	5,59,913	1,55,818	1,72,526	1,49,663
TOTAL OF PROVINCES UNDER THE LIEUTENANT-GOVER- NOR OF BENGAL.	99,464	1,32,388	3,30,427	6,07,833	1,84,007	1,94,365	1,58,965
NORTH-WESTERN PROV- INCES AND OUDH.							
<i>Ghazipur District.</i>							
Dildarnagar ...	1,868	3,440	3,012	6,000	1,132	826	...
Guhmer ...	365	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tari Ghat ...	5,352	2,632	373	7,172	1,888	19	386
Total ...	7,585	6,072	3,385	13,172	3,020	845	386
<i>Benares District.</i>							
Shiupur ...	...	...	...	381	...	1,139	...
Zamania ...	1,869	1,875	6,017	10,336	1,505	1,925	1,940
Sakaldiha ...	2,273	761	...	370	...	373	...
Mogulsarai ...	379	...	378	373	376	...	760
Benares Cantonment ...	26,811	23,471	20,894	20,010	3,451	8,540	8,344
Total ...	31,332	26,107	27,289	31,476	5,332	11,977	11,044
<i>Gorakhpur District.</i>							
Bhagalpur Gogra ...	...	...	...	3,000	...	375	...
Chauri Chaura ...	...	2,998	...	...	...	...	...
Tahsil Deoria ...	1,510	1,136	2,262	1,493	...	...	370
Gorakhpur ...	2,304	1,520	1,496	...	...	380	1,152
Sahjanwa ...	773	1,523	376	753	375	...	3,010
Bhatpur	8,629	1,866	744	...
Total ...	4,587	7,177	4,134	13,875	2,241	1,499	4,532

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
NORTH-WESTERN PROV- INCES AND OUDH— contd.							
<i>Basti District.</i>							
Khalilabad	378	...	372
Basti ...	1,933	6,413	782	1,172	...	...	...
Uska Bazar ...	1,146	1,869	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	3,079	8,660	782	1,544	...	...	...
<i>Gonda District.</i>							
Gonda ...	1,485	8,635	4,878	...	...	373	1,121
Other places ...	1,153	6,764	1,127	...	...	...	...
Total ...	2,638	15,399	6,005	...	...	373	1,121
<i>Baraich District.</i>							
Naupara ...	...	...	...	1,505	...	...	...
Baraich ...	...	754	1,507	753	...	...	372
Total ...	...	754	1,507	2,258	...	...	372
<i>Mirzapur District.</i>							
Ahaura Road ...	1,505	5,653	4,507	2,990	758	1,189	757
Chunar ...	823	378	381	377	380	1,119	378
Mirzapur ...	22,465	17,473	7,234	11,006	753	2,660	1,875
Gainpura ...	383	384	...	376	373	...	...
Total ...	25,176	23,888	12,122	14,749	2,264	4,918	3,010
<i>Allahabad District.</i>							
Karchana ...	...	...	1,131	375	745	...	1,169
Nini ...	...	370	...	...	...	...	...
Manwari ...	378	755	...	375	...	372	...
Jasra ...	376	2,652	5,287	8,996	2,280	2,274	1,489
Mija Road ...	15,747	21,899	15,460	21,085	6,423	4,880	6,032
Nahwai ...	1,519	...	378	...	...	1,128	379
Allahabad ...	48,683	56,477	21,813	17,353	6,466	3,730	5,351
Bharwari ...	7,819	6,029	2,278	1,875	...	767	...
Sirathu ...	4,551	5,673	4,517	412	...	...	385
Shirajpur ...	763	...	752	1,863	1,883	386	1,138
Other places ...	376	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	80,212	93,855	51,616	52,334	17,797	13,537	15,943
<i>Fatehpur District.</i>							
Babrapur ...	...	...	1,515	374	...	...	...
Khaga ...	...	1,510	2,270	...	...	...	...
Bindki ...	14,387	21,270	10,612	3,438	1,125	1,499	2,642
Fatehpur ...	...	...	387	...	...	...	386
Total ...	14,387	22,780	14,784	3,812	1,125	1,499	3,028
<i>Cawnpore District.</i>							
Cawnpore City ...	93,071	1,38,222	87,057	14,940	380	2,922	5,754
<i>Etawah District.</i>							
Phaphund ...	2,643	3,024	3,775	436	...	...	...
Bharthna ...	383	378	...	...	...	...	...
Etawah ...	19,017	14,360	8,749	2,254	...	373	766
Jaswantnagar ...	3,014	2,279	4,158	...	...	...	...
Total ...	25,062	20,041	16,682	2,690	...	373	766
<i>Farukhabad District.</i>							
Farukhabad ...	...	373	380	...	...	...	...
Kanauj ...	381	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	381	373	380	...	...	...	...
<i>Mainpuri District.</i>							
Kaurara ...	3,782	1,535	1,126
Shahabad ...	1,966	1,137	2,642	373
Total ...	5,748	2,672	3,768	373

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NORTH-WESTERN PROV. INCES AND OUDH—contd.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
<i>Agra District.</i>							
Firozabad ...	12,015	4,238	6,557	1,213	...	...	...
Agra ...	20,578	13,522	34,662	19,276	380	2,314	2,640
Total ...	32,593	17,760	41,219	20,489	380	2,314	2,640
<i>Sitapur District.</i>							
Sitapur ...	379	3,022	2,635	2,632	1,140	747	380
<i>Muttra District.</i>							
Kosi ...	...	...	1,173	...	391	...	...
Muttra ...	2,331	1,997	2,628	749	...	377	...
Brindaban ...	...	...	324	372	...	...	...
Total ...	2,331	1,997	4,125	1,121	391	377	...
<i>Alighur District.</i>							
Harduaganj ...	...	...	755	...	...	...	...
Sikandra Rao ...	753	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hattrass ...	21,667	8,797	30,653	4,956	...	1,559	413
Alighur ...	6,414	1,815	4,570	2,640	375	...	374
Total ...	28,834	10,612	35,978	7,596	375	1,559	787
<i>Bulandshahar District.</i>							
Chola ...	...	...	1,138	...	...	...	...
Secundrabad ...	...	747	1,510	1,506	...	...	...
Khurja ...	5,308	3,826	9,468	3,774	...	760	757
Dibai ...	756	756	3,021	...	...	...	...
Total ...	6,064	5,329	15,137	5,280	...	760	757
<i>Muzaffarnagar District.</i>							
Muzaffarnagar ...	...	...	757	...	...	...	...
<i>Meerut District.</i>							
Ghaziabad ...	566	1,512	1,143	1,135	...	...	...
Meerut ...	6,851	15,779	8,873	6,410	...	1,137	373
Total ...	7,417	17,291	10,016	7,545	...	1,137	373
<i>Banda District.</i>							
Badansa ...	...	...	390	1,133	751	383	378
Banda ...	1,187	5,636	11,376	7,608	...	1,146	380
Bargarh ...	742	1,507	3,042	1,540	377	373	766
Manikpur ...	384	1,129	1,133	1,499	...	...	379
Kurwi ...	1,145	6,465	17,032	5,343	...	747	1,508
Total ...	3,458	14,767	32,973	17,083	1,128	2,649	3,411
<i>Moradabad District.</i>							
Khanth ...	...	374	1,136	375	...	...	...
Moradabad ...	...	4,910	4,148	1,889	...	...	...
Chundowsi ...	782	15,416	4,841	382	...	...	...
Total ...	782	20,700	10,125	2,646	...	...	...
<i>Azimgarh District.</i>							
Shahganj ...	7,558	7,522	378	3,151	1,135	...	1,876
<i>Bareilly District.</i>							
Aonla ...	1,510	3,865	2,252	...	...	...	...
Bareilly ...	2,711	26,824	12,773	2,303	...	...	...
Total ...	4,221	30,689	15,025	2,303
<i>Jaunpur District.</i>							
Jaunpur ...	14,496	25,241	5,637	8,268	...	3,000	1,134

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NORTH-WESTERN PROV- INCES AND OUDH— contd.							
<i>Shajehanpur District.</i>							
Shajehanpur ...	4,180	7,175	6,442	400	371	...	380
Tilhar ...	5,061	7,907	3,058	...	...	...	...
Auji ...	2,684	4,199	3,774	...	...	378	...
Rosa Junction ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	373
Total ...	11,925	19,281	13,274	400	371	378	753
<i>Eta District.</i>							
Jaleswar Road ...	...	...	386	...	...	...	...
Kashganj ...	754	...	2,266	373	...	...	...
Total ...	754	...	2,652	373	...	...	...
<i>Lucknow District.</i>							
Lucknow ...	17,199	27,988	24,956	5,034	2,640	752	3,754
Alamnagar ...	7,976	9,894	13,975	2,244	...	...	386
Kakori ...	1,491	774	755	...	...	...	...
Malihabad ...	754	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	27,420	38,656	39,686	7,278	2,640	752	4,140
<i>Pilibhit District.</i>							
Pilibhit ...	...	1,516	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Saharanpur District.</i>							
Rurki ...	...	...	373	...	...	...	...
Saharanpur ...	...	379	5,253	9,401	...	...	...
Total ...	...	379	5,626	9,401	...	...	...
<i>Fyzabad District.</i>							
Sahwal ...	...	...	783	...	...	...	...
Radhauli ...	1,133	7,585	2,265	4,124	...	375	1,511
Fyzabad ...	9,146	31,402	6,210	7,563	1,887	1,514	2,622
Ajodhya ...	762	3,026	...	...	376	1,121	1,147
Gosainganj ...	...	789	...	1,122	...	...	750
Total ...	11,041	42,802	9,258	12,809	2,263	3,010	6,030
<i>Sultanpur District.</i>							
Akbarpur ...	1,150	3,003	762	745	...	371	1,123
<i>Bara Banki District.</i>							
Bahramghat ...	...	...	1,881	1,139	1,904	...	372
Duryabad ...	...	378	...	379	766	...	372
Bara Banki ...	3,415	3,416	4,557	1,131	...	...	766
Safdaraganj ...	8,795	17,267	14,034	4,848	814	1,514	1,519
Total ...	12,210	21,061	20,472	7,497	3,484	1,514	3,029
<i>Hardai District.</i>							
Balamau ...	...	755	...	...	...	...	...
Hardai ...	6,104	10,703	2,650	371	371	375	...
Baghauli ...	5,493	4,143	4,139	374	...	...	...
Sandila ...	1,138	1,123	3,022	...	...	...	...
Total ...	12,735	16,724	9,811	745	371	375	...
<i>Bijnor District.</i>							
Dhampur ...	...	3,017	5,675	...	...	...	...
Nagina	2,261	4,551	1,128	383
Najibabad	2,260	6,426	1,882
Bijnor	1,124	...	1,494
Total	8,662	16,652	4,504	383

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NORTH-WESTERN PROV. INCES AND OUDH— concl'd.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
<i>Jhansi District.</i>							
Jhansi ...	...	1,510	1,530	3,385	...	...	...
<i>Lalitpur District.</i>							
Lalitpur ...	...	755	748	2,255	...	...	...
<i>Kheri District.</i>							
Lakshmipur ...	...	378	2,257	754	...	...	...
<i>Hamirpur District.</i>							
Mahoba ...	399	3,034	4,184	4,494	747	...	...
<i>Dehra Dun District.</i>							
Hardwar ...	...	...	378	...	...	...	...
<i>Jalaum District.</i>							
Ait ...	...	...	...	744	...	...	...
Kalpi ...	...	...	1,127	...	...	...	368
Total ...	...	...	1,127	744	...	...	368
<i>Garhwal District.</i>							
Haldwani ...	...	...	750	750	...	...	...
Other places ...	14,099	10,580	28,912	2,666	100	766	3,028
TOTAL OF THE NORTH- WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH.	4,93,124	6,89,271	5,61,595	2,88,137	46,684	57,647	76,168
PANJAB.							
<i>Amritsur District.</i>							
Amritsur ...	...	740	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Delhi District.</i>							
Delhi ...	39,817	63,298	58,032	39,484	3,486	6,387	1,442
<i>Jullundur District.</i>							
Jullundur City ...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Umballa District.</i>							
Umballa City ...	402	5,755	7,189	3,006	757	...	...
<i>Gurgaon District.</i>							
Faraknagar ...	...	378	...	...	...	...	...
Gurgaon ...	...	752	1,138	...	...	...	...
Rewari ...	12,795	18,118	18,154	10,732	375	810	2,320
Total ...	12,795	19,248	19,292	10,732	...	810	2,320
Other places ...	12,187	30,867	26,241	24,457	...	374	...
TOTAL OF THE PANJAB ...	65,204	1,19,908	1,10,754	77,679	4,618	7,571	3,762

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CENTRAL PROVINCES.							
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Sehora Road	2,278	1,129	2,646	743	747	3,765
Katni ...	...	2,614	6,458	5,692	1,515	4,130	5,415
Jubbulpur ...	...	14,294	31,227	21,167	4,899	7,950	11,045
Peparia ...	...	2,257	8,676	12,088	1,534	1,503	2,308
Kareli ...	...	3,393	4,142	3,768	743	...	3,814
Nagpur ...	...	3,057	5,322	9,476	10,653	9,018	9,108
Other places ...	1,145	8,736	32,567	79,706	40,614	43,771	55,008
Total ...	1,145	36,629	89,521	1,34,543	60,701	67,119	90,463
RAJPUTANA AND CEN- TRAL INDIA.							
Dholpur ...	...	1,126	...	...	...	...	...
Ajmere ...	...	376	883	...	...	...	...
Sutna ...	3,096	8,307	16,289	28,560	...	2,192	...
Mhow ...	147	1,148	...	...	1,543	...	2,699
Ulwar ...	392	760	3,809	...	...	...	...
Indore ...	750	756	...	...	...	...	372
Jeypore ...	378	763	377	1,498	...	...	...
Bawal ...	378	377	...	...	...	...	...
Harphulpur ...	383	766	1,795	1,496	...	...	...
Other places ...	...	3,459	4,431	3,599	...	...	1,512
Total ...	5,524	17,838	27,084	35,153	1,543	2,192	4,583
Hyderabad ...	378	778	...	...	...	...	...
BERAR.							
Dhamangaon ...	...	...	600	380	...	756	391
Malkapur ...	26	...	...	407	...	...	...
Khamgaon ...	66	381	432	404	1,135	...	...
Akola ...	53	656	763	...	...	...	...
Amraoti ...	66	1,129	3,388	3,811	...	2,287	378
Total ...	211	2,166	5,183	5,032	1,135	3,043	769
Bombay ...	...	...	374	...	...	...	...
Unspecified places ...	15,320	44,902	24,834	11,142	2,434	5,171	597
GRAND TOTAL	6,80,370	10,43,880	11,49,772	11,59,519	3,01,122	3,37,108	3,35,307
ABSTRACT.							
Total of Bengal ...	4,442	4,240	10,514	41,917	21,817	18,240	10,544
" " Bihar ...	94,210	1,27,772	3,18,812	5,59,913	1,55,818	1,72,526	1,47,663
" " Chota Nagpur ...	812	376	1,101	6,003	6,372	3,599	758
" " the North-Western Provinces and Oudh	4,93,124	6,89,271	5,61,595	2,88,137	46,684	57,647	76,168
" " the Panjab ...	65,204	1,19,908	1,10,754	77,679	4,618	7,571	3,762
" " Rajputana and Cen- tral India	5,524	17,838	27,084	35,153	1,543	2,192	4,583
" " Central Provinces ...	1,145	36,629	89,521	1,34,543	60,701	67,119	90,463
" " Hyderabad ...	378	778	...	...	...	...	...
" " Berar ...	211	2,166	5,183	5,032	1,135	3,043	769
" " Bombay ...	...	...	374	...	...	...	...
" " Unspecified places...	15,320	44,902	24,834	11,142	2,434	5,171	597
Add exports from Calcutta from 1st to 30th January 1897, the details whereof are not available.	87,800	...	...	...	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL	7,68,170	10,43,880	11,49,772	11,59,519	3,01,122	3,37,108	3,35,307

EXPORTS OF FOOD-GRAINS BY THE EASTERN BENGAL STATE RAILWAY.

No. 1266.—Statistics.—The following statement shows the quantity of rice and other food-grains exported by the Eastern Bengal State Railway from Sealdah and Calcutta during the period from 1st January to 8th May 1897, both days inclusive, to have been 3,11,571 maunds. The destination of 3,09,940 maunds is specified. A little less than three-fourths of this quantity (2,31,462 maunds) was carried to stations in Bengal Proper, and 12,628 maunds to Bihar and Chota Nagpur, about one-eighth (36,465 maunds) to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, a little over one-eleventh (27,080 maunds) to places in Assam and the rest (2,305 maunds) to other provinces.

M. FINUCANE,
Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 25th May 1897.

Statement showing the quantities of rice and other food-grains exported from Sealdah and Calcutta (Port Trust Railway, Chitpur and Kidderpore Dock), by the Eastern Bengal State Railway, from 1st January to 8th May 1897.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BENGAL.						
<i>24-Parganas.</i>						
Barrackpore	102	102	102	102
Shamnagar ...	5
Kankinara ...	261
Naihati ...	...	48	40	40	...	...
Kanchrapara ...	...	20	14	...	...	...
Duttapukur ...	15	28	1	40	...	...
Gobardanga ...	94	133	114	217	38	...
Akra Junction ...	...	9	...	...	...	...
Muslandpur ...	...	...	2	5	2	...
Mugra Hat ...	...	...	...	4	...	...
Guma ...	...	...	...	20	...	...
Total ...	375	238	273	428	142	102
<i>Nadia.</i>						
Chakdaha ...	3	7	...	69	...	...
Ranaghat ...	...	438	10	122	10	...
Aranghata ...	8	22	5	10	...	...
Bagula ...	30	2	9	2,020	1,003	710
Kishanganj ...	1,953	142	28	406	58	135
Banpur ...	72	521	...	...	...	...
Ramnagar ...	267	306	10	8	129	144
Jairampur ...	4	480	10	501	...	108
Chuadanga ...	1,723	1,099	171	1,027	728	1,157
Munshiganj ...	1,290	849	...	738	102	132
Alamdanga ...	12,937	2,857	1,029	3,411	15	372
Halsa ...	523	832	...	358	...	...
Poradaha ...	1,683	12	207	...	...	...
Jagati ...	10	...	10	11	...	130
Kushtia ...	7,227	2,030	1,783	3,092	2,542	971
Kumarkhali ...	2,797	290	14	751	721	833
Koksa ...	466	200	559	886	1,119	340
Mirpur ...	3,632	376	310	3,509	217	761
Bhairamara ...	10,998	902	...	2,064	1,717	1,414
Damukdia ...	1	...	1	301	120	579
Gangnapur ...	3	...	10	2	2	...
Total ...	45,677	11,365	4,166	19,286	8,483	7,786
<i>Jessore.</i>						
Chandpara ...	...	68	13	10	20	...
Bangaon ...	455	227	162	243	57	42
Gopalnagar ...	10	39	12	18	49	21
Benapol ...	98	18	12	10	12	...
Nabharan ...	196	40	53	143	81	6
Jhikargacha ...	2,187	1,111	155	394	13	361
Jessore ...	360	224	250	305	229	520
Rupdia ...	6	6	11	22	1	6
Singia ...	35	54	7	38	214	241
Naral ...	25	...	12
Binodpur ...	25	1	...
Total ...	3,397	1,787	687	1,183	677	1,197

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
BENGAL—contd.						
<i>Khulna.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Nawapara	7
Phultala ...	2	28	58	3
Daulatpur ...	...	...	...	14	...	...
Khulna ...	63	42	62	66	...	6
Bagir Hât ...	1	1	11	2	...	...
Total ...	66	50	73	110	58	9
<i>Rajshahi.</i>						
Malanchi ...	...	...	4	69	175	207
Gopalpur ...	...	425	...	61	...	2
Nator ...	32	...	5	...	...	...
Attrai ...	100	8	...	...	...	...
Raninagar ...	1,827	2,123	2,885	2,175	...	...
Alipur ...	...	...	...	5	61	2
Rampur Boalia ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,961	2,556	2,894	2,310	236	211
<i>Dinajpur.</i>						
Charkai ...	12	10	30	20	22	...
Phulbari ...	18	...	6	22	...	...
Raiganj ...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Dinajpur ...	100	94	57	23	...	...
Total ...	130	105	93	65	22	...
<i>Jalpaiguri.</i>						
Belakoba ...	...	...	...	...	...	195
Dam-Dim ...	...	...	...	...	171	...
Chilahati ...	70	...	...	...	...	...
Haldibari ...	2,207	341	393	2,177	5,956	5,181
Jalpaiguri ...	2,434	81	855	116	1,924	4,497
Ramshai Hât ...	...	943	2,341	749	981	2,376
Chalsa Road Ghat ...	...	1,220	...	...	...	576
Malbazar ...	...	506	500	...	...	...
Total ...	4,711	3,091	4,089	3,042	9,032	12,325
<i>Darjeeling.</i>						
Siliguri ...	708	63	577	1,060	836	641
Kurseong ...	2	2	24	10	2,260	501
Sonada ...	...	...	306	...	...	4
Ghum ...	119	387	...	1,144	1,413	206
Darjeeling ...	541	327	140	130	777	...
Total ...	1,370	779	1,047	2,344	5,286	1,352

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BENGAL—contd.						
<i>Rangpur.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Rangpur ...	264	128	72	119	161	242
Kaunia ...	64	...	4
Badarganj ...	4	...	...	...	...	20
Saidpur ...	134	90	165	254	372	...
Nilphamari ...	96	63	10	...	45	...
Domar ...	65	12	288	2,448	864	2,470
Tista ...	6	...	...	...	386	...
Lalmonir Hât ...	...	2	11	...	100	...
Magal Hât ...	...	22	...	41	117	...
Kurigram ...	301	300	32	79	48	40
Jatrapur ...	2	...	20	...	...	40
Porabari ...	16	...	...	...	...	...
Madarganj ...	...	...	4	...	...	...
Kamarjani ...	47	...	3	80	...	...
Chilmari ...	4	...	...	143	61	...
Rowmari ...	6	...	...	2	10	...
Total ...	1,009	617	609	3,166	2,164	2,812
<i>Bogra.</i>						
Jaipur Hât ...	...	...	...	...	16	...
Jamerbari ...	35	4	4	107	61	192
Sultanpur ...	82	43	16	5	20	1
Akkelpur ...	10	370	10	...	...	...
Hili ...	48	...	...	...	6	...
Jamalganj ...	...	...	4	...	383	...
Total ...	175	417	34	112	486	193
<i>Pabna.</i>						
Nagarbari ...	4	2	23	...	...	...
Banagram ...	8	8	...	8	15	16
Belkuchi ...	6	42	7	101	...	419
Serajganj ...	605	196	174	280	395	1,092
Total ...	623	248	204	389	410	1,527
<i>Cooch Behar.</i>						
Chausa Hât ...	41	19	41	84	445	182
Torsa ...	1,601	377	1,247	1,526	3,447	7,013
Other places ...	...	...	7	...	370	340
Total ...	1,642	396	1,295	1,610	4,262	7,535
<i>Dacca.</i>						
Haserkandi ...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Elashin ...	...	...	...	6	...	...
Narayanganj ...	...	...	20	1	20	...
Dacca ...	30	25	40	92	12	20
Kadirpur	22
Tarpasa	1	26
Kamalaghat	2
Bahar	7
Total ...	30	48	88	106	32	24

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BENGAL—contd.						
<i>Mymensingh.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Gafargaon	16
Mymensingh	112	...	4	14	...	1
Bhairab Bazar	41	...	...	...	...	...
Bahadurabad	126	70	7	...	...	...
Hargilachar	10	12	...	...	81	20
Jagannathganj	17	39	5	...	67	...
Subarnakhali ... ..	...	14	...	300	...	172
Total	306	151	16	314	148	193
<i>Faridpur.</i>						
Daulatdia	137	174	773	422	141	101
Lallgolla	314	3	39	690	...	...
Pangsa	5,940	1,497	64	429	1,546	383
Belgachi	237	129	568	642	139	762
Rajbari	73	...	458	2,142	259	164
Pachuria	664	2	984	3,753	...	225
Goalundo	2,193	5	1,263	1,503	1	687
Faridpur ... ..	...	...	6	15	...	...
Madaripur	1	...	...	...	...	...
Total	9,559	1,810	4,155	9,596	2,086	2,322
<i>Backergunge.</i>						
Jhalakati	40	...	100	100	...	...
Barisal	44	140	24	20	..	...
Total	84	140	124	120	...	...
<i>Typpera.</i>						
Comilla ... ..	...	...	...	10	...	60
Chandpur ... ..	...	...	6	2	...	...
Akhora ... ..	...	..	...	7	..	...
Total ... ..	...	...	6	19	...	60
<i>Noakhali.</i>						
Noakhali	19	11	...	...	...	...
<i>Chittagong.</i>						
Chittagong	24	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Burdwan.</i>						
Rasulpur	3
Raniganj	428
Total	428	...	3
<i>Birbhum.</i>						
Bolpur	5
Sinthiaa	371	2	...
Total	371	5	2	...

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BENGAL—concd.						
<i>Murshidabad.</i>						
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Azimganj	312
Jiaganj ...	20
Total ...	20	312
Total of Bengal ...	71,611	24,121	19,856	44,202	33,524	38,148
CHOTA NAGPUR.						
<i>Hazaribagh.</i>						
Giridih ...	20	370	...
<i>Manbhum.</i>						
Parulia	370	567
Chandil ...	10
Katrasgarh	16
Total ...	10	16	370	567
<i>Singbhum.</i>						
Chakradharpur ...	20
Total of Chota Nagpur ...	50	16	740	567
BIHAR.						
<i>Sonthal Parganas.</i>						
Deoghur	370
Pakur	6
Total	6	370
<i>Bhagalpur.</i>						
Colgong ...	384
<i>Monghyr.</i>						
Monghyr	370	...
Barowni	10
Khagaria	742
Total	10	742	370	...
<i>Patna.</i>						
Patna	370	...
Diga Ghat	370	370
Bakhtiarpur	377
Total	370	747	370	...
<i>Punera.</i>						
Kisanganj	1
<i>Darbhanga.</i>						
Samastipur	370

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BIHAR—concl'd.						
<i>Gaya.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Gaya
<i>Muzaffarpur.</i>						
Muzaffarpur ...	746	392	1,120
<i>Champaran.</i>						
Bettiah	370
<i>Saran.</i>						
Revelganj	1,130
Chapra	427
Savan	1,850	...	370	740	...
Total	2,277	...	370	740	1,130
Total of Bihar ...	1,130	2,675	1,870	2,230	1,480	1,870
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH.						
<i>Ghazipur.</i>						
Ghazipur	1
<i>Gorakhpur.</i>						
Gauri Bazar	370
Chauri Chaura	370
Total	740
<i>Mirzapur.</i>						
Mirzapur	385
<i>Allahabad.</i>						
Naini Junction	370
Mija Road	385
Allahabad ...	2,204	753	745
Total ...	2,204	1,138	745	370
<i>Fatehpur.</i>						
Bindki	385
<i>Cawnpur.</i>						
Cawnpur ...	4,951	740	2,274
<i>Etawah.</i>						
Etawah ...	2,004	379
<i>Mainpuri.</i>						
Shakohabad ...	375

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NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH—contd.						
<i>Agra.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Firozabad	767
<i>Muttra.</i>						
Muttra	379
<i>Alighur.</i>						
Hatrass	715	388	385	790
Alighur	375
Total	715	388	760	790
<i>Meerut.</i>						
Meerut	758
<i>Moradabad.</i>						
Moradabad	385
<i>Barielly.</i>						
Aonla	379
Barielly	1,143
Total	1,522
<i>Jaunpur.</i>						
Jaunpur	8
Jalalganj	6
Total	14
<i>Shahjehanpur.</i>						
Shahjehanpur	374	...	758
Tilhar	1,134	380	385
Aujhee	385
Total	1,508	380	1,528
<i>Lucknow.</i>						
Lucknow	749	...	754	398
Alamnagar	3,401
Total	4,150	...	754	398

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NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES AND OUDH—concl'd.						
<i>Fyzabad.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Fyzabad	379	442
Gosainganj	385
Total	385	379	442
<i>Hardai.</i>						
Hardai ...	373
Baghauli ...	748
Total ...	1,121
Other places ...	1,119	...	1,124	...	8	...
Total of the North-Western Provinces.	19,686	4,535	10,236	1,630	8	370
Panjab	1,121	395
Central Provinces	385	20	...
Rajputana and Central India	384
ASSAM.						
<i>Sylhet.</i>						
Badarpur ...	2,925	678	50	667	75	107
Balaganj	505
Karimganj ...	750
Chattak	3
Other places	1	4	4
Total ...	3,675	682	559	671	75	107
<i>Cachar.</i>						
Silchar ...	98	1,423	396	927	...	383
<i>Goalpara.</i>						
Dhubri	225	...
Kamarjoni	14	...	13	281	594
Goalpara	10
Total	14	10	13	506	594
<i>Kamrup.</i>						
Gauhati ...	4	4	...	3	...	10
<i>Darrang.</i>						
Tejpur	152	105
Mangaldai ...	18
Total ...	18	...	152	105

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ASSAM—concl'd.						
<i>Sibsagar.</i>	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Nigriting	505	542	170	308	30	200
Disangmukh	166	310	219	378	25	128
Dekhumukh	461	747	921	461	560	...
Kokilamukh	122	57	99	37
Other places	60	81	337
Total	1,132	1,659	1,513	1,541	714	365
<i>Lakhimpur.</i>						
Dibrugarh	1,299	2,388	2,273	2,471	848	423
Palasbari	1	...	1
Total	1,300	2,388	2,274	2,471	848	423
<i>Nowgong.</i>						
Silghat	1	6	...	1
Other places	15
Total of Assam	6,228	6,176	4,904	5,642	2,143	1,987
Unspecified places	346	211	864	247	...	63
GRAND TOTAL	99,051	38,487	38,851	54,262	37,915	43,005
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WEATHER AND CROP REPORT.

For the week ending the 24th May 1897.

Burdwan.—Rainfall at Sadar 2·60, Kalna 1·80, Katwa 1·39, Raniganj ·34. Ploughing and sowing going on. More rain wanted in Raniganj. Condition of cattle good. Fodder sufficient. Common rice selling as follows:—

			Srs. c.	Srs. c.	
Sadar	8 8 to 11 0	} per rupee.
Kalna	8 8 to 9 0	
Katwa	8 8 to 9 0	
Raniganj	8 8 to 9 0	

Birbhum.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·38, Rampur Hât 1·16. Weather hot, cloudy in the evening. The rain has facilitated ploughing, which continues. Fodder sufficient. Price of common rice at Sadar 8½ seers and Rampur Hât 8¾ to 10 seers per rupee.

Bankura.—Rainfall at Bankura 1·55, Onda 2·29, Raipur ·91, Sonamukhi ·07, Khatra 2·25, Maliara ·57, Indas ·45, Vishnupur ·90, Gangajalhati ·99. Weather very hot and occasionally cloudy and stormy in the afternoon. The rainfall has benefited the *til* crop and sugarcane and facilitated ploughing. Common rice is selling at 10 seers per rupee at Bankura and Vishnupur, 9 seers in Gangajalhati, 8¾ seers in Majia and Sonamukhi, 8 seers in Saltora, 8½ seers in Simlapal. Numbers on relief—

		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Test-workers	...	345	65	1	411
Otherwise relieved	...	207	347	277	831
				Total	... 1,242

Sonamukhi figures said to be incomplete.

Midnapore.—Rainfall at Sadar 2·18, Contai ·31, Tamluk ·09, Ghatal 1·21. Weather unsettled. More rain wanted in Contai, Tamluk and Ghatal subdivisions. Sowing of *aus* and *aman* continues. Prospects of indigo and *boro* not good. Cattle-disease reported from Binpur, Naraingarh, Keshpur, Benapura, and Basudebpur. Fodder and water sufficient. Common rice selling as follows:—

				Srs. c.	
Sadar	10 0	} per rupee.
Contai	...	...	...	9 to 12 0
Tamluk	...	...	...	9 0
Ghatal	...	...	...	9½ to 10 0

Hooghly.—Rainfall at Sadar ·69, Serampore 1·18, Jahanabad ·73. Sugarcane doing well. Ploughing and sowing continues. Rice sells at 7 to 9 seers 3 chitaks per rupee.

Howrah.—Rainfall ·91. Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and *aus* still going on. Fodder sufficient. Want of water reported from thanas Bagnan and Amta, and from Mandalghât and Singti outposts in the Ulubaria subdivision. Common rice sells at 8½ to 10 seers per rupee.

24-Parganas.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·09, Barasat 1·01, Basirhat 1·20, Diamond Harbour ·40. Weather very hot; stormy and cloudy. Prospects favourable, but more rain is wanted in places. Sowing of *aus* and jute still going on. No cattle-disease. Fodder sufficient. Water insufficient in places. Common rice sells as follows:—

				Srs. c.	
Sadar	8 to 10 0	} per rupee.
Barasat	...	...	...	8 4
Basirhat	...	...	...	9 0
Diamond Harbour	...	...	...	8 6

Nadia.—Rainfall at Sadar ·79, Kushtia 1·48, Meherpur 1·04, Chuadanga 1·85, Rana-ghat ·90. Prospects of *aus* paddy, sugarcane, and indigo good. Water-supply improved. Fodder sufficient. Common rice sells from 7 to 9 seers per rupee. Latest price of rice where test-works are open is 7½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	...	13,309	3,397	2,420	19,126
Dependants	...	350	96	9,179	9,625
Otherwise relieved	...	5,538	35,929	22,354	63,821
Test-workers	...	414	Nil	1	415
			Total	...	92,987

Murs hidabad.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·93, Kandi 2·99, Jangipur ·56. Weather seasonable. The recent rain has done much good to the sowing of *aman*, *bhadoi*, and jute. *Til*, indigo, sugarcane and mulberry doing well. Harvesting of *boro* nearly finished. Fodder sufficient. Common rice sells as follows:—

Sadar	...	...	...	Srs.
Kandi	...	...	...	8
Jangipur	...	...	...	9
				8½

} per rupee.

Latest price of common rice, where test and relief works are opened, is 8½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

Sadar and Kandi subdivisions—	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	1,639	62	306	2,007
Test-workers	465	11	83	559
Otherwise relieved	350	1,559	99	2,008
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			Total	4,574

Jessore.—Rainfall at Sadar ·45, Jhenida ·70, Magura ·56, Narail ·50. Weather variable sometimes hot and sultry and sometimes stormy. Cultivation of *aus* and *aman* in progress. Rain badly wanted. Fodder sufficient, but water not so in all places. No cattle-disease reported. Common rice sells as follows:—

Jessore	...	...	...	Srs. c.
Jhenida	...	...	...	8 to 9 0
Magura	...	...	...	8 0
Narail	...	...	...	7½ to 8 8
				8 14

} per rupee.

Khulna.—Rainfall at Sadar ·71, Bagerhat 1·31, Satkhira ·32. Weather hot and stormy. *Aus* cultivation proceeding. Rain wanted. Common rice sells as follows:—

Sadar	...	...	...	Srs. c.
Bagerhat	...	...	...	8 to 8 8
Satkhira	...	...	...	9 0
				9 0

} per rupee.

Relief wages calculated at 9 seers per rupee. Fodder available. Great scarcity of good water. No cattle-disease reported. Numbers on relief—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	4,195	Nil	235	4,430
Relieved in two poor-houses	36	47	87	170
Otherwise relieved	460	3,622	1,691	5,773
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			Total	10,373

Rajshahi.—Rainfall at Sadar 1·16, Nator ·99, Naugaon ·78. Prospects of standing crops good. Sowing of *aus* and *aman* paddy in progress. Harvesting of *boro* paddy going on; a fair outturn is expected. Fodder and water available. Price of common rice ranges between 7 seers 9 chitaks and 9 seers per rupee. Price of rice at relief-works 8 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Test-workers	677	Nil	10	687

Dinajpur.—Average rainfall ·41. Weather hot. *Bhadoi*, jute and sugarcane are progressing well. Fodder and water sufficient. No report of cattle-disease. Prices of common rice 9 seers per rupee at Sadar, 8 seers at Raiganj and Thakurgaon, 8½ seers at Churamon, 8½ seers at Balughat.

Jalpaiguri.—Rainfall at Sadar 2·55, Alipur Duars 5·55. Weather cloudy and hot. Rain is doing good to agricultural operations. *Betri* and jute plants are doing well. Sowing of *bhadoi* almost finished. Average price of common rice 7½ seers per rupee. No want of fodder or drinking-water.

Rangpur.—Rainfall at Sadar ·98, district average 2·70. Weeding of *aus* and jute still continues. Sowing of *aman* in progress. Prospects good. Common rice selling at 7½ to 8 seers per rupee. Fodder and water sufficient.

Bogra.—Average rainfall 1·40. Reaping of *haun* has commenced; outturn 16 annas. *Aus* on low lands in the *pali* soil is coming into ears. Jute and *aus* doing very well. Fodder and water ample. Common rice sells at head-quarters 8½ seers and in the interior from 6½ to 9 seers per rupee.

Pabna.—Rainfall at Sadar 2·21, Sirajganj 5·44. Weather hot. Prospects of crops fair. Fodder sufficient. Price of rice 7 to 8½ seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Test-workers	689	48	83	820

Dacca.—Rainfall at Sadar 4·85, Munshiganj 2·10, Manikganj 4·55, Narainganj 2·84. Weather hot. Jute and *aus* plants thriving. Fodder available. Cattle-disease prevailing in Munshiganj subdivision. Price of common rice 8 to 9 seers per rupee.

Mymensingh.—Rainfall at Sadar 2·94, Netrokona 3·69, Kishorganj 1·97, Tangail 1·26. Weather cloudy and hot. Prospects of *aus* paddy and jute are excellent. Common rice sells from 7½ to 10 seers per rupee.

Faridpur.—Rainfall at Sadar 50, Madaripur 51. Weather ordinary for the time of the year. Prospects fair. Price of rice 7½ to 9 seers per rupee.

Backergunge.—Rainfall at Sadar 3·89, Pirojpur 96, Patuakhali 4·10, Bhola 2·40. Weather cooler. Prospects of crops fair. Common rice sells from 7½ to 9¾ seers per rupee.

Tippera.—Rainfall at Sadar 6·17. Weather seasonable. Standing crops doing well. Sowing of paddy continues. More rain will facilitate ploughing of high lands. Prices of rice—

	Srs.
Comilla	8
Brahmanbaria	8½
Chandpur	9

} per rupee.

Noakhali.—Rainfall at Sadar 3·71, Feni 5·38. Rain has done much good to the standing crops. Prospects improving. No cattle-disease. Fodder and water still insufficient. Price of common rice 7 to 9 seers per rupee.

Chittagong.—Rainfall 2·67. Weather very hot. Fields are under cultivation for *aus* crop. Prospects not fair owing to want of rain. Many tanks are dry. Rain much wanted. Fodder sufficient. Rice selling at 10 seers per rupee.

Patna.—Rainfall at Bikram 12, other stations nil. Rain wanted for *bhadoi* preliminaries. Standing crops doing well. Dry fodder available, but green fodder and water for cattle becoming scarce, but no distress reported. Prices slightly easier. Price of rice in Patna 9 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relieved in poor-houses	61	47	18	126
Otherwise relieved	14	6	1	21
Total				147

Gaya.—Sugarcane doing well. Price of Burma rice 8½ seers and of country rice 7½ seers per rupee.

Shahabad.—Rainfall at Sadar 26. Sugarcane doing well. *China* being harvested. Fodder and water for cattle sufficient, except at Bhabua. Price of common rice 8 to 9 seers per rupee. Latest price of rice 8 seers and of peas 10½ seers per rupee fixes the relief wages. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Bhabua—				
Relief-workers	2,995	3,564	2,034	8,593
Dependants	Nil	Nil	2,061	2,061
Relieved in poor-houses and kitchens	250	115	116	481
Otherwise relieved	3,938	10,270	6,969	21,177
Sasaram—				
Relief-workers	64	66	25	155
Dependants	Nil	Nil	84	84
Relieved in poor-houses	33	11	7	51
Otherwise relieved	18	74	27	119
Arrah—				
Relieved in poor-houses	29	11	7	47
Otherwise relieved	5	6	5	16
Dehri—				
Fed in kitchens	51	71	119	241
Buxar—				
Otherwise relieved	1	5	Nil	6
Total				32,981

Saran.—High winds followed by slight showers. Rainfall at Gopalganj 11. Preparation of land for *bhadoi* has commenced. Prices are—common rice 8 seers 7 chitaks, wheat 10 seers 11 chitaks, barley 12 seers 5 chitaks, *makai* 9 seers 14 chitaks. Famine wage fixed on barley. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	2,296	4,234	2,961	9,491
Dependants	Nil	Nil	530	530
Relieved in poor-houses	44	32	26	102
Otherwise relieved	3,689	14,275	4,692	22,656
Siwan subdivision—				
Relief-workers	1,107	2,033	1,640	4,780
Relieved in poor-houses	10	4	3	17
Otherwise relieved	1,207	4,583	1,737	7,527
Gopalganj subdivision—				
Relief-workers	2,610	3,963	3,724	10,297
Dependants	Nil	Nil	1,092	1,092
Otherwise relieved	3,782	11,415	9,822	25,019
		Total	...	81,511
Private relief—				
Hatwa—				
Relief-workers	1,408	2,263	1,606	5,277
Dependants	Nil	Nil	990	990
Relieved in poor-houses	77	77	71	225
Otherwise relieved	46	94	71	211
Manjha—				
Relieved in poor-houses	5	7	12	24
Otherwise relieved	163	27	Nil	190
Koildwa—				
Otherwise relieved	36	104	14	154
		Total	...	7,071

Champaran.—Rainfall at Motihari 2, Bettiah 2, Barharwa 5, Ramnagar 05. Sowings should commence very shortly. *Bhadoi* rice already being sown in places. Fodder sufficient. Water for cattle scarce in parts. Prices show a slight rise at Motihari, stationary at Bettiah. Common rice at Motihari $8\frac{1}{8}$ seers, Bettiah $7\frac{5}{8}$ seers, Burma rice at Motihari $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers, Bettiah $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers; maize $10\frac{1}{2}$ seers, wheat $10\frac{3}{4}$ seers, barley 13 seers, gram 11 seers, *rahar* 14 seers. Numbers on relief—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	20,606	21,523	11,470	53,599
Dependants	52	56	3,420	3,528
Relieved in poor-houses	131	148	85	364
Otherwise relieved	8,047	20,425	16,796	45,268
Bettiah subdivision—				
Relief-workers	18,179	19,754	7,896	45,829
Dependants	60	57	3,612	3,729
Relieved in poor-houses	192	189	198	579
Otherwise relieved	6,668	14,378	9,151	30,197
		Total	...	183,093

Muzaffarpur.—Rainfall 38. Prospects fair. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and *dhan*. Prices are—Burma rice $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers, country rice $7\frac{1}{2}$ seers, wheat $9\frac{1}{2}$ seers, *makai* $9\frac{1}{2}$ seers, barley $11\frac{1}{2}$ seers, gram 11 seers, *rahar* $12\frac{1}{2}$ seers. *Makai* and *rahar* fix the relief prices. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	10,508	3,328	3,587	17,423
Dependants	23	34	181	238
Relieved in poor-houses	31	14	5	50
Otherwise relieved	4,850	15,056	10,620	30,526
Hajipur subdivision—				
Relief-workers	5,767	7,154	2,067	14,988
Dependants	Nil	Nil	769	769
Relieved in poor-houses	12	9	3	24
Otherwise relieved	1,833	5,030	1,239	8,102

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sitamarhi subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	10,155	8,561	3,333	22,049
Dependants ...	124	265	2,327	2,716
Relieved in poor-houses ...	81	43	49	173
Otherwise relieved ...	6,192	13,976	10,275	30,443
		Total	...	127,501
Private relief—				
Darbhanga Raj—				
Relief-workers ...	1,052	698	171	1,921
Gratuitous relief ...	65	232	213	510
		Total	...	2,431

Darbhanga.—Rainfall at Sadar '15, Samastipur '56, Madhubani '48. *Mung, dhan,* and *bhadoi* already sown have been benefited by the rainfall. Fields are being prepared for *bhadoi* sowings. Common rice selling at Sadar 7½ seers per rupee. Price of *makai* 9 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	38,952	42,187	6,949	88,088
Dependants ...	807	Nil	5,477	6,284
Relieved in poor-houses ...	91	118	301	510
Otherwise relieved ...	7,220	20,086	9,167	36,473
Madhubani subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	22,313	20,153	4,371	46,837
Dependants ...	55	Nil	3,266	3,321
Relieved in poor-houses ...	89	36	32	157
Otherwise relieved ...	5,406	19,533	9,651	34,590
Samastipur subdivision—				
Relief-workers ...	1,251	3,041	959	5,251
Relieved in poor-houses ...	12	8	3	23
Otherwise relieved ...	523	1,525	1,062	3,110
Test-workers ...	154	222	45	421
		Total	...	225,065
Private relief—				
Darbhanga Raj—				
Relief-workers ...	9,201	4,672	1,018	14,891
Gratuitous relief ...	2,835	8,561	8,669	20,065
		Total	...	34,956

Monghyr.—Rainfall at Sadar '26. No rain at Begusarai and Jamui. Weather hot with west wind. Ploughing of lands for paddy and sowing of *bhadoi* crops continue. Sugar-cane flourishing well. No cattle-disease. Sufficient fodder and water. Common rice sells as follows:—

	Srs. c.
Monghyr ...	7 to 8 0
Begusarai ...	8 11
Jamui ...	8 0
	} per rupee.

Bhagalpur.—Rainfall at Sadar '18, Madhipura '90. Weather hot. Easterly wind. Prospects of standing crops continue to be favourable. Cattle-disease reported from parts of the Banka and Sadar subdivisions. Retail prices—

	Srs. c.
Common rice—	
Sadar ...	8 14
Banka ...	8 2
Madhipura ...	8 0
Kurthi—	
Sadar ...	12 10
Banka ...	11 4
Madhipura ...	13 0
Marua—	
Madhipura ...	13 0
	} per rupee.

Fodder and water sufficient. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—				
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Madhipura subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 8,550	8,125	2,275	18,950
Dependants	... 18	11	1,164	1,193
Otherwise relieved	... 435	1,157	830	2,422
Supaul subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 452	1,669	153	2,274
Dependants	... Nil	2	259	261
Otherwise relieved	... 211	606	157	974
Sadar subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 53	56	11	120
Banka subdivision—				
Relief-workers	... 329	179	59	567
		Total	...	26,761

In addition to the above, 7,807 were relieved from charitable funds in the whole district, but this figure is approximate.

Purnea.—Rainfall at Sadar ·76, Kishanganj ·22. *Bhadoi* paddy, jute and winter rice are being sown. Agricultural prospects favourable. Cattle-disease decreasing. Fodder and water sufficient. Prices of common rice—

Sadar	...	...	...	Srs. 7½
Kishanganj	...	...	...	7½
Araria	...	...	...	8

per rupee.

Malda.—Rainfall at Sadar ·23, Chanchal ·03, Gajole ·22, Shibganj ·24. Harvesting of *boro* paddy not yet finished; average outturn expected. More rain wanted for *bhadoi* crops. Common rice selling from 8½ to 9 seers per rupee.

Sonthal Parganas.—Weather cloudy with southerly winds. Dust-storms and a little rain. Average rainfall ·2. In Jmntara ·73, enabling cultivation there to proceed. *Boro* harvest over. Sugarcane promising. Cultivation for *bhadoi* crops and winter rice hindered by want of rain. Deoghur and Jamtara water-supply not yet replenished. Fodder fair. District prices—rice 7½ to 9 seers, maize 9½ to 12 seers. Jamtara prices— 7½ to 8 seers. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

Jamtara—	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	... 1,194	1,076	962	3,232
Dependants	... 8	16	81	105
Fed in kitchens	... 8	8	174	190
Otherwise relieved	... 154	270	118	542
		Total	...	4,069

Private relief—

Workers	... 894	665	79	1,638
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Cuttack.—Rainfall at Jajpur ·22, Kendrapara ·02. Weather hot. Sowing of *beali* and *sarad* in progress. Rain wanted. Cattle-disease reported from parts. Condition of cattle generally good. Fodder and water available. Common rice sells as follows:—

Cuttack	...	...	...	Srs. c. 11 13
Jajpur	...	...	...	13 2
Kendrapara	...	...	...	13 2
Banki	...	...	...	14 13

per rupee.

Balasore.—Rainfall at Sadar ·31. Weather hot. *Beali* seedlings and sugarcane growing well. Cotton gathered. Ploughing going on. Price of rice varies from 10 to 16 seers per rupee in the interior. Rice sells at 10½ and 12 seers per rupee at Balasore and Bhadrak respectively. Fodder and water sufficient.

Angul.—Rainfall ·16. Ploughing and sowing in full swing. Fodder sufficient. Cattle-disease abating. Coarse rice sells at 16 seers in Angul and 14 seers 10 chitaks in Khondmals.

Puri.—No rain. Ploughing and sowing of *beali* and *sarad* paddy being pushed on rapidly. *Dalua* and *china* being harvested. Famine wages calculated at 10 to 12 seers per rupee. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	... 2,223	136	696	3,055
Dependants	... 12	29	153	194
Otherwise relieved	... 50	32	60	142
Test-workers	... 7	Nil	Nil	
		Total	...	3,398

Hazaribagh.—Rainfall nil. Rain badly wanted. Sowing commenced. Prices are—rice 6 to 7½ seers, *makai* 8 to 11 seers, *marua* 9 to 14 seers, *mahua* 20 to 40 seers: becoming scarce. Numbers on relief on Saturday, 22nd May—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Sadar subdivision—				
Test-workers	816	593	482	1,891
Fed in kitchens	414	594	1,708	2,716
Otherwise relieved	127	733	Nil	860
Giridih subdivision—				
Test-workers	910	283	223	1,416
Otherwise relieved	87	88	70	245
		Total	...	7,128

Private relief—				
Otherwise relieved	205	118	68	391

Lohardaga.—Rainfall nil. Ploughing and sowing continues. Rice sells 7½ seers per rupee at Ranchi and 6½ to 10 seers in the interior. Fodder and water sufficient. Grain in stock sufficient for the present.

Palamau.—Rainfall nil. Weather very hot day and night. Sugarcane, *makai*, *gondli* and *terca dhan* doing well. Four markets selling rice at over 5 seers, but below 6 seers, against 6 markets in last week; 11 markets against 12 at 6 seers; 37 markets against 32 at over 6 seers, but below 7 seers; 8 markets against 4 at 7 seers; 31 markets against 34 at over 7 seers, but below 8 seers. Prices of wheat, barley and gram the same as last week. *Mahua* sold at 25 seers 7 chitaks against 26 seers 13 chitaks. Commissioner has based the famine wage on rice at 9 seers per rupee because forest produce is procurable. Cattle-disease prevalent all over the district. Fodder and water becoming scarce in places. 1,285½ maunds of country rice and 156½ maunds of Burma rice were imported under the bounty system.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	1,328	1,066	434	2,828
Otherwise relieved	602	1,258	349	2,209
		Total	...	5,037

Manbhum.—Rainfall at Sadar 30, Gobindpur 27. Weather very hot. Sugarcane doing well. Cattle-disease reported from Purulia and Raghunathpur thanas. Scarcity of water reported from Jhalda, Barabhum, Gourangdi, Paru, Raghunathpur and Chandil. Average price of common rice 7½ to 8 seers per rupee. Supply as yet sufficient.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Gratuitous relief	1,660	4,327	3,153	9,140
Test-workers	2,720	1,936	289	4,945
		Total	...	14,085

Singhbhum.—Rainfall at Chaibasa 70, Ghatsilla 15. Rice plentiful. Price 8 to 12 seers per rupee.

General Summary.—There was more or less rain in almost all districts during the week, the falls in the eastern districts being heavy. The rain has facilitated ploughing and sowing, which are going on everywhere. More rain is still required in several districts. The prospects of sugarcane and indigo are generally good, and the early rice and jute where sown are coming on well. The harvesting of *boro* or spring rice is almost over. The water-supply is said to have generally improved, but is still deficient in parts. The price of rice shows but little change during the week. In the distressed districts the prices of the staple food-grain on which the famine wage is based are—Nadia (common rice) 7½ seers, Murshidabad (common rice) 8¼ seers, Khulna (common rice) 9 seers, Rajshahi (common rice) 8 seers, Pabna (rice) 7 to 8½ seers, Shahabad (rice) 8 seers and (pea) 10½ seers, Saran (barley) 12½ seers, Champaran (common rice) at Motihari 8½ seers and Bettiah 7½ seers, and (maize) at Motihari 10½ seers, Muzaffarpur (*makai*) 9½ seers and (*rahar*) 12½ seers, Darbhanga (common rice) 7½ seers and (*makai*) 9 seers, Bhagalpur (common rice) 8 seers and

(Bhanga) 13 seers, Sonthal Parganas (rice at Jamtara) $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 seers, Puri (common rice) 10 to 12 seers, Hazaribagh (rice) 6 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ seers, Palamau (rice) 9 seers, Manbhum (common rice) $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 seers.

Numbers on relief:—

	Week under report.	Preceding week.
Bankura	... 1,242	.....
Nadia	... 92,987	80,269
Murshidabad	... 4,574	7,933
Khulna	... 10,373	11,270
Rajshahi	... 687	615
Pabna	... 820	546
Patna	... 147	136
Shahabad	... 32,981	30,941
Saran	... 81,511	78,034
Champaran	... 183,093	174,153
Muzaffarpur	... 127,501	128,886
Darbhanga	... 225,065	213,833
Bhagalpur	... 26,761	24,850
Sonthal Parganas	... 4,069	3,870
Puri	... 3,398	3,332
Hazaribagh	... 7,128	6,587
Palamau	... 5,037	4,909
Manbhum	... 14,085	11,924
Total	... 821,459	782,088

The total for the week under report is distributed as follows:—

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Relief-workers	... 170,075	155,327	58,567	383,969
Dependants	... 1,509	566	35,605	35,680
• Relieved in poor-houses	... 1,102	832	940	2,874
Otherwise relieved	... 63,747	201,244	122,373	387,364
Test-workers	... 7,197	3,158	1,217	11,572
Private relief—				
Relief-works—				
Darbhanga Raj (in Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur)	10,253	5,370	1,189	16,812
Hatwa	1,408	2,263	1,606	5,277
Sonthal Parganas	894	665	79	1,638
Gratuitous relief—				
Darbhanga Raj (in Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur)	2,900	8,793	8,882	20,575
Hatwa	123	171	1,132	1,426
Saran { Manjha	168	34	12	214
Koildwa	36	104	14	154
Hazaribagh (Giridih)	205	118	68	391
Total				46,487

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
The 25th May 1897.

M. FINUCANE,
Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

I. IMPORTS INTO CALCUTTA.

The following Statement shows the Quantities of the Principal Staples of Traffic imported into Calcutta from the Interior by Rail, Road, River (Country-boat and Steamer), and Canal during the month of January 1897.

Whence imported.	FOOD-GRAINS.										FIBROUS PRODUCTS.		OILSEEDS.		Tea, Indian.	Cotton, raw.	Silk, raw.	Coal and coke.	Indigo.	SUGAR.		TOBACCO.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																					
	RICE AND PADDY.			Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	Total.	Jute, raw.	Gunny-bags, †	Linseed.	Mustard seed.	Refined.	Unrefined.	Unmanufactured.						Manufactured.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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Whence imported.	FOOD-GRAINS.										FIBROUS PRODUCTS.		OILSEEDS.		Tea, Indian.	Cotton, r.w.	Silk, raw.	Coal and coke.	Indigo.	SUGAR.		TOBACCO.	
	RICE AND PADDY.			Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	Total.	Jute, raw.	Gunny-bags.	Linseed.	Mustard seed.												
	Rice.	Paddy.	Total (in rice).																				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21			
ORISSA.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.			
Cuttack	1,216	54,057	1,216	54,057	4,696	1,216	1,216	611	2,600	316	361	6	819	367	1,30,411	14	367	367	367	367			
Balasore	81,470	54,057	1,15,256	54,057	4,696	1,15,256	1,15,256	1,893	2,600	316	361	267	61,359	367	12,81,087	14	367	367	367	367			
Total of Orissa	82,686	54,057	1,16,472	54,057	4,696	1,21,168	1,21,168	2,404	2,600	316	361	65	65	65	1,30,411	14	367	367	367	367			
CHOTA NAGPUR.																							
Hazaribagh	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	350	316	361	5	819	367	1,30,411	14	367	367	367	367			
Manbhum	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	315	316	361	267	61,359	367	12,81,087	14	367	367	367	367			
Singbhum	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	1,015	316	361	267	61,359	367	12,81,087	14	367	367	367	367			
Total of Chota Nagpur.	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	1,680	316	361	273	62,174	367	14,12,008	14	367	367	367	367			
Grand Total of supplies from the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	17,34,424	2,30,244	18,78,326	21,953	2,99,386	11,236	22,10,900	15,00,649	809,853	86,299	65,402	12,769	8,237	1,597	36,11,089	14,323	9,427	1,12,830	23,367	4,732			
OTHER PROVINCES.																							
Assam	750	10	760	34,943	2,165	10	760	33,876	350	890	10,543	83,084	819	1	4,087	3,126	3,378	107	38				
North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	10	10	10	1,825	142	13	37,128	2,219	11,340	8,761	33,401	28	61,359	1	4,087	3,126	3,378	107	38				
Punjab	29	29	29	21,948	142	13	1,667	245	245	589	4,936	7	4,278	1	4,087	3,126	3,378	107	38				
Central Provinces	108	108	108	21,948	142	13	22,297	385	385	589	4,936	296	6,789	1	4,087	3,126	3,378	107	38				
Rajputana and Central India.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bombay	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	2,080	10,373	6,563	21,948	69,550	2,377	74,400	1,000	1,000	...	...	10	15,137	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mysore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pondicherry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burma	9,16,570	22,931	9,31,533	...	2,515	...	9,34,048	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other foreign ports	8	...	8	...	1	136	9,34,048	...	6,300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total (1897 of imports in January.	26,54,276	2,63,508	28,19,024	80,846	3,68,068	13,877	32,81,805	15,36,744	828,543	96,245	1,21,389	97,094	1,05,034	1,598	36,20,966	17,449	87,923	1,16,246	24,031	5,934			
	20,95,004	1,36,875	21,79,945	1,43,694	3,29,950	7,418	26,60,897	18,12,343	2,170,908	1,02,904	58,409	92,155	1,38,510	2,184	...	...	36,718	1,11,977	24,351	5,178	

* One maund of paddy is equivalent to 25 seers of rice.

† Exclusive of bags obtained by local manufacture.

II.

The Sea-borne Trade of Calcutta in these Staples during the month of January 1897 was as follows :—

EXPORTED FROM CALCUTTA.	Rice.	Paddy.	Total (in rice).	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food- grains.	Total.	Jute, raw.	Gunny- bags.	Linseed.	Mustard seed.	Tea, Indian.	Cotton, raw.	Silk, raw.	SUGAR.		TOBACCO.	
															Refined.	Unrefined.	Unmanu- factured.	Manufac- tured.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
To Indian ports, viz. :—	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Bombay	18,767	.....	18,767	.....	.....	.....	18,767	.....	434,000	.....	.....	145	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
Other ports in Bombay ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,600	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madras	20	.....	20	.....	10,170	150	10,340	.....	267,300	.....	.....	5	.....	84	114	.....	.....	22
Other ports in Madras	2,430	.....	2,430	.....	828	.....	3,258	27	584,820	.....	.....	42	.....	13	68	.....	.....	207
Burma	3,645	.....	3,645	1,303	13,523	227	15,698	413	4,387,800	.....	.....	206	170	6	1,033	783	7,130	305
Other Indian ports ... ..	.....	.....	.....	267	1,432	4	1,703	.....	130,900	.....	.....	3	.....	22	4,903	2,208	1,124	123
Total of Inter- portal trade ...	24,862	.....	24,862	1,570	25,953	381	52,766	439	5,810,420	.....	.....	404	170	125	6,133	2,991	8,254	658
To Foreign ports—																		
United Kingdom	89,180	.....	89,180	.....	5,541	.....	94,721	6,82,951	1,411,000	32,011	.....	1,03,054	10,293	724	.....	.....	.....	.....
Other Foreign ports	3,98,603	39	3,98,627	250	8,638	128	4,07,843	2,34,298	16,667,560	56	8,244	17,788	47,876	518	676	.....	153	1,048
Total of Foreign trade	4,87,783	39	4,87,807	250	14,379	128	5,02,664	9,17,249	18,078,500	32,067	8,244	1,20,842	58,169	1,242	676	.....	153	1,048
Grand Total (1897 of Exports in Jan. 1896)	5,12,645	39	5,12,669	1,820	40,332	509	5,55,330	9,17,688	23,888,920	32,067	8,244	1,21,246	58,339	1,367	6,809	2,991	8,405	1,706
	11,18,681	2,886	11,20,485	10,325	1,83,930	7,818	13,22,558	15,65,779	12,940,776	1,91,445	86	1,09,503	1,07,749	1,418	6,376	3,637	6,099	1,509

III.

IMPORTS INTO CALCUTTA.

The following statement shows the several routes followed by the Trade in the Principal Staples of Traffic imported into Calcutta during the month of January 1897.

SPECIFICATION OF ROUTES.	FOOD-GRAINS.					FIBROUS PRODUCTS.		OILSEEDS.		Tea, Indian.	Cotton, raw.	Silk, raw.	Coal and Coke	Indigo.	SUGAR.		TOBACCO.	
	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food- grains.	Jute, raw.	Gunny- bags.	Linseed.	Mustard seed.						Re- fined.	Un- refined.	Unmanu- factured.	Manufac- tured.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
By country boats ...	14,44,605	1,24,694	4,873	68,257	69	5,51,625	716,098	6,284	7,566	.....	4,892	43	13,498	85	1,980	26,979	5,203	2,659
" river steamers ...	31,731	12,628	.....	7,420	.....	4,92,724	890	546	6,281	84,092	331	108	4,087	...	329	3	309	280
" rail { E. I. Railway E. B. S. Rail- way.	35,324	20,590	75,933	58,610	11,295	75,093	94,395	87,834	82,320	604	80,377	1,441	35,06,084	16,099	111	21,272	3,271	688
	24,276	1,634	.....	1,59,657	.....	3,36,065	8,000	1,581	25,057	11,684	2,726	306	150	1,263	.....	10,546	13,048	...
" road	1,12,544	10,391	40	3,537	.....	79,691	9,200	.....	.....	.....	214	...	2,237	...	7,118	51,441	2,446	1,797
" sea	9,98,796	84,061	.....	70,577	2,513	1,546	.....	.....	65	714	16,494	...	13,880	...	78,385	5	264	1,166
Grand Total of Imports in { 1897 January. 1896	26,54,276	2,63,698	80,846	3,68,058	13,877	15,36,744	828,543	96,245	1,21,289	97,094	1,06,034	1,898	20,20,956	17,446	87,923	1,16,246	24,631	5,984
	20,95,004	1,35,875	1,43,584	3,20,950	7,418	18,12,343	2,176,908	1,02,904	58,469	92,155	1,38,510	2,164	.....	...	36,718	1,11,977	24,331	5,176

IV.

EXPORTS FROM CALCUTTA.

following Statement shows the Values and Quantities of the Principal Staples of Traffic exported Inland from Calcutta by Rail, Road, River (Country-boat and Steamer), and Canal during the month of January 1897 :—

Exported.	Cotton piece-goods.		Cotton twist.		Salt.	Kerosine oil.	Gunny-bags.	Whither exported.	Cotton piece-goods.		Cotton twist.		Salt.	Kerosine oil.	Gunny-bags.
	European.	Indian.	European.	Indian.					European.	Indian.	European.	Indian.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8								
ORISSA.															
	Rs.	Rs.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.	Cuttack	Rs.	Rs.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.
BALASORE	1,89,421	128	216	1,666	33,660	5,983	102,065	Balasore	57,350	.....	558	7,145	10,640	1,940	2,000
	1,05,056	3,691	88	1,401	17,255	3,387	57,540								
	3,16,639	.....	2,862	80	20,765	614	9,200	Total of Orissa	57,350	.....	558	7,145	10,640	1,941	123,300
	1,20,711	3,100	383	61	3,227	5,238	21,404								
	1,97,823	3,810	560	.....	10,877	58,860	44,118	CHOTA NAGPUR.							
	73,929	.....	1,273	395	24,402	3,317	117,410	Hazaribagh	21,972	.....	196	.....	8,524	841	1,760
	69,029	1,539	67	100	10,923	1,202	25,615	Manbhum	67,150	1,406	90	1,263	16,090	2,748	5,460
	2,870	.....	785	.....	11,936	2,478	10,230	Singbhum	21,774	.....	32	26	5,571	207	4,795
	9,234	.....	134	4	8,358	1,139	1,645	Total of Chota Nagpur	1,10,896	1,406	318	1,289	30,764	3,796	19,005
	43	.....	43	167	13,554	1,195	29,225								
	691	.....	.....	294	8,440	1,258	9,915	Grand Total of supplies into the Provinces under the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.	36,16,891	23,283	14,759	23,112	6,25,767	1,66,992	983,760
	217	.....	217	287	9,180	1,902	1,400								
	2,344	.....	203	350	17,331	2,067	8,855								
	472	86	184	107	7,889	329	14,805								
	1,11,278	.....	4,368	16	45,850	16,440	5,780								
	6,103	.....	137	.....	24,540	.....	3,755								
	777	.....	777	273	28,313	9,165	17,710								
	1,000	.....	.....	.....	25,200	9,750	4,690								
	3,020	86	456	.....	5,325	303	13,020	OTHER PROVINCES.							
	66	.....	66	.....	6,025	.....	1,165	Assam	9,05,047	.....	1,514	30	67,580	11,955	21,400
	62,171	.....	243	.....	1,450	22	16,125	North-Western Provinces and Oudh	9,31,189	33,343	1,847	618	25,623	41,231	177,275
	12,72,793	11,839	13,042	5,801	3,64,944	1,32,137	538,367	Punjab	3,11,149	2,216	453	8	9,641	76,355	
								Central Provinces	1,04,283	23,897	207	809	23	7,516	123,732
								Rajputana and Central India	62,154	385	31	19	.....	1,471	18,822
								Berar	3,851	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38,745
								Nizam's Territory	493	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
								Bombay	1,136	128	.....	.....	.....	.....	439,670
								Madras	23,950	343	40	1,306	.....	5,054	882,120
								Mysore	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105
								Burma	1,40,653	2,717	693	2,514	.....	372	4,387,890
								Other places	5,086	13,415	.....	14,634	.....	40	18,078,500
								Grand Total of Ex-ports in Jan. 1897	61,05,882	1,04,732	19,544	43,050	7,18,997	2,44,272	25,192,350
								1896	94,69,053	65,385	21,013	29,073	5,67,913	2,65,708	14,387,266

V.

The Sea-borne Trade of Calcutta in these Staples during the month of January 1897 was as follows :—

IMPORTED INTO CALCUTTA.	COTTON PIECE-GOODS.		COTTON TWIST.		Salt.	Kerosine oil.	Gunny-bags.
	European.	Indian.	European.	Indian.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Foreign Ports—	Rs.*	Rs.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.
United Kingdom	92,75,213	.....	9,104	.....	1,35,360	.....	5,300
Other Foreign ports	52,938	.....	424	.....	2,72,286	2,66,426	.....
Foreign Trade	93,28,151	.....	9,528	.....	4,97,646	2,66,426	5,300
Indian Ports—	Rs.*	Rs.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.
Calcutta	18,202	1,75,025	.....	10,459	51,324	.....	.....
Other ports in Madras	400	24,300	.....	.....	418	.....	1,000
Other Indian ports	10,080	.....	39	12	.....	.....	2,900
Interport Trade	28,689	1,99,925	39	10,471	51,742	.....	3,900
Total of Im-ports in Jan. 1897	93,56,833	1,99,925	9,567	10,471	4,59,388	2,66,426	9,200
1896	1,00,58,100	2,43,602	8,417	14,885	7,02,760	2,98,511	16,159

* As per tariff declaration value.

VI.

Following Statement shows the several Routes followed by the Trade in the Principal Staples of Traffic exported from Calcutta during the month of January 1897 :—

SECTION OF ROUTES—	Rs.	Rs.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	No.
Country boats	2,16,700	3,100	786	.....	1,09,840	26,817	59,780
Steamers	13,22,613	.....	4,270	141	1,09,029	31,487	41,755
East Indian Railway	40,51,285	81,676	4,097	14,787	3,64,630	1,04,959	234,875
Eastern Bengal State Railway	8,330	171	8,330	2,523	70,125	67,470	242,025
	2,19,920	3,310	877	.....	3,733	6,723	34,295
	2,88,064	16,475	1,484	25,599	10,640	7,416	8,670,519
Grand Total of Exports in January 1897	61,05,882	1,04,732	19,544	43,050	7,18,997	2,44,272	9,973,949
1896	94,69,053	65,385	21,013	29,073	5,67,913	2,65,708	14,387,266

STATISTICAL DEPARTMENT,
The 21st May 1897.

M. FINUCANE,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

PRICES-CURRENT (retail) of Food-grains and Salt in the

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- A. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Kalna 10 seers (panga), Katwa 10 seers 15 chitaks (karkatch) and Raniganj 10½ seers (panga).
- B. At Rampur Hat the retail price of salt is 11 seers per rupee.
- C. At Vishnupur the retail price of salt is 9½ seers per rupee.
- D. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Contai 8 seers (panga), Tamruk 10 seers and Ghatal 10 seers.
- E. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Serampore 10 seers and Jahanabad 9 seers (panga).
- F. At Ulubaria the retail price of salt is 10 seers per rupee.
- G. In the marts in the interior of the district the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Chetla 10 seers, Barasat 8½ seers, 8 seers, and Baduria 9 seers.
- H. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Kushtia (Bahadurkhal) 10½ seers (panga), Chuadagna 10 seers, 10 seers (karkatch), and Ranaghat 10 seers (crushed).
- I. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt (karkatch) per rupee are:—Lalbagh 11 seers, Jangipur 10½ seers and Kandi 11 seers.

ERS OF 80 TOLAHS.

MAJRA OR CUMBU.
(*Penicetum typhoid-*
eum.)

MARUA OR RAGI.
(*Eleusine Corocana*.)

Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	Re- turn of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	Re- turn of last year.
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KANGNI OR KAKUN, ITALIAN MILLET, (<i>Setaria Italica</i> .)			GRAM, CHANA, CHHOLA, KANALA OR BURAGA (<i>Cicer arietinum</i> .)		
Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	Corresponding re- turn of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	Corresponding re- turn of last year.

S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.
...	10	0	10	0	13	0	...	...
...	9	12	9	12	13	0	...	...
...	10	0	10	0	16	0	...	...
...	9	8	9	8	13	8	...	...
...	8	0	10	0	14	0	...	...
...	10	0	9	8	17	0	...	...

...	...	...	...	9	0	9	0	15	0	...	...
8	0	8	0	10	10	9	2	10	10	14	8
...	...	...	...	10	5	10	5	20	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	11	8	11	4	21	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	9	0	9	0	16	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	8	0	9	0	13	8	...	...

...	...	...	...	10	14	10	14	21	12	...	...
...	...	...	...	10	0	10	12	16	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	10	0	10	0	17	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	8	0	8	0	11	8	...	...
...	...	...	...	10	0	10	0	16	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	9	15	12	0	13	8	...	...
...	...	...	...	10	0	10	0	18	12	...	...

...	...	...	...	9	0	10	0	15	8	...	...
...	...	...	...	8	0	8	0	12	8	...	...
...	...	...	...	16	0	16	0	20	0	...	...
...	...	...	...	8	12	9	0	13	12	...	...

Quarterly Station Bazars of the Districts of Bengal on the 15th May 1897.

														WHOLESALE PRICES PER MAUND OF 40 SEERS.						DISTRICTS.	Number.		
PILAN-CORN OR MAIZE. (Zea Mays.)				ARHAR OR THUR, CADJAN PEA. (Cajanus Indicus.)				SALT.			SALT.												
Next return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next return.	Corresponding return of last year.										
S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	S.	Ch.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.							
...	...	11	0	13	0	18	0	11	4	11	4	11	8	Crushed.	3	6	0	3	7	0	Burdwan.	1	
...	...	7	8	7	8	18	0	10	8	10	8	10	8	Karkatch.	3	10	6	3	10	6	Birbhum.	2	
...	...	10	0	10	0	11	4	10	0	10	0	9	4	Panga.	4	0	0	4	0	0	Bankura.	3	
...	20	0	10	0	10	0	9	0	Crushed.	3	14	0	3	15	0	Midnapore.	4	
...	...	7	0	8	0	11	0	9	6	9	8	11	8	Crushed.	3	12	0	3	12	0	Hooghly.	5	
...	...	8	4	8	0	12	12	9	8	9	8	9	14	Panga.	4	0	0	3	14	0	Howrah.	6	
...	...	8	0	8	0	11	8	9	0	9	0	10	8	Panga.	4	0	0	4	0	0	24-Parganas.	7	
10	10	16	6	10	10	11	13	13	14	10	0	10	0	Panga.	3	10	0	3	9	0	Calcutta.	8	
...	...	12	5	12	5	20	0	10	10	10	10	10	10	Panga.	3	12	0	3	12	0	Nadia.	9	
...	...	13	0	13	8	21	0	11	0	11	0	10	8	Karkatch.	3	8	0	3	8	0	Murshidabad.	10	
...	...	11	0	11	0	20	0	8	8	10	0	9	2	Panga.	3	15	0	3	14	3	Jessore.	11	
...	...	8	0	9	0	10	0	8	0	8	0	10	12	Panga.	4	8	0	3	8	0	Khulna.	12	
...	...	12	0	12	0	22	8	9	0	9	0	9	9	Panga.	4	2	8	4	2	8	Rajshahi.	13	
...	...	12	0	13	0	...	...	10	8	10	0	9	0	Panga.	3	15	0	4	0	0	Dinajpur.	14
...	...	8	8	8	8	10	0	9	0	9	0	9	4	Panga.	4	1	0	4	1	0	Jalpaiguri.	15	
...	...	14	0	5	8	5	8	7	0	7	0	7	0	Panga.	0	1	5	8	0	5	0	Darjeeling.	16
...	...	7	0	7	0	10	10	8	0	8	0	8	0	Rora.	0	4	14	0	4	14	17
...	10	0	10	0	9	0	Panga.	4	0	0	4	0	0	Rangpur.	18	
...	...	13	8	13	8	...	...	7	14	9	0	7	14	Panga.	4	5	4	4	5	4	Bogra.	19
...	...	8	10	9	0	24	0	9	12	9	12	9	12	Panga.	4	1	0	4	1	6	Pabna.	20	
...	...	8	4	8	8	16	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	Panga.	4	0	0	4	0	0	Dacca.	21	
...	...	8	0	8	0	13	0	8	0	8	0	8	0	Panga.	4	6	0	4	6	0	Mymensingh.	22	
...	8	12	8	12	9	0	Panga.	4	10	0	4	10	0	Faridpur.	23	
...	10	0	10	0	8	8	Panga.	4	0	0	4	0	0	Backergunge.	24	

the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Jhenida 9 seers 1 chitak, Magura 8 seers 11 chitaks, Nator no report, Bangaon 9 seers 2 chitaks.
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Bagerhat 9 seers 2 chitaks and Satkhira 9½ seers.
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt (panga) are:—Nator 8½ seers and Naugaon 8 seers and 11 chitaks.
 the price of salt at Kurseong 8 seers and Siliguri 9 seers per rupee.
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Nilphamari 9 seers, Gaibanda 8 seers, Kurigram no report.
 the retail price of salt is 10 seers per rupee.
 the subdivisions in the interior of the district the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Madanganj 10 seers 10 chitaks, Madanganj 9 seers, Munshirhat and Mirkadin no report.
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Kishorganj 9 seers 6 chitaks, Jamalpur 8 seers, 4 chitaks, Kagramari 8 seers and Netrokona 8 seers.
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Madaripur 10½ seers (crushed) and Goalundo 9 seers (panga).
 the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are:—Pirojpur and Patuakhali no reports, and Bhola 8 seers

PRICES-CURRENT (retail) of Food-grains and Salt in the Head-quarters

		QUANTITIES PER RUPEE																	
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			JOWAR OR CHHOLU (Sorghum Vulgare)					
Number.	DISTRICTS.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.			
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BENGAL—concluded.																			
CHITTAGONG DIVISION.	24 Tippera	...	7 6	7 6	10 0	8 0	8 0	10 0	8 0	9 0	10 8		
	25 Noakhali	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 8	8 0	10 0	8 0	8 8	11 0	...	...	...
	26 Chittagong	...	6 8	6 10	10 14	...	...	...	7 0	7 0	9 8	9 0	10 0	11 8	...	...	...
BIHAR.																			
PATNA DIVISION.	2 Patna	...	10 8	11 0	14 0 and 15 0	13 8	14 8	24 0	8 0	8 0	12 0	9 0	9 0	18 8	...	...	21 8
	28 Gaya	...	9 0	9 4	13 0	12 4	12 0	22 0	6 0	6 0	9 4	7 12	7 12	14 8	9 4	9 8	18 8		
	29 Shahabad	...	9 8 and 10 0	9 8 and 10 0	14 0	12 0	11 8	20 0	7 8 and 8 0	7 8 and 8 0	8 0	8 0 to 9 0	8 4	17 0	...	...	...
	30 Saran	...	10 6	10 8	14 0	13 0	13 0	19 0	6 0	6 0	13 0	9 0	9 0	16 0	...	...	...
	31 Champaran	...	9 0	9 0	15 0	13 8	14 0	26 0	6 0	6 4	8 8	8 4	8 12	17 0	...	...	...
	32 Muzaffarpur	...	9 8	9 8	14 0	12 0	12 0	25 0	5 0	6 8	9 8	7 12	8 0	13 0	...	...	...
33 Darbhanga	...	8 4	8 8	13 2	11 0	11 0	21 14	6 8	6 8	10 0	7 8	8 0	18 9	...	...	...
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.	34 Monghyr	...	9 7	9 15	15 8	12 9	13 5	24 0	6 13	6 13	9 0	8 2	8 1	13 0	...	...	...
	35 Bhagalpur	...	9 8	9 8	15 7	12 10	12 10	22 11	7 9	6 8	12 10	8 14	8 14	16 6	...	...	...
	36 Purnea (Kasba)	...	9 8	8 0	16 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 0	13 0	8 0	7 8	16 0	10 0	10 0	...
	37 Malda (English Bazar).	...	10 0	10 0	15 8	...	...	...	7 0	8 0	12 0	8 4	9 0	14 0	...	...	...
	38 Sonthal Parganas.	...	7 12	7 12	11 0	...	...	...	7 0	7 8	13 8	7 12	8 2	16 0	...	...	...
ORISSA.																			
ORISSA DIVISION.	39 Cuttack	...	7 14	7 9	13 2	...	...	...	8 8	8 9	13 2	11 8	11 13	21 0	...	...	...
	40 Balasore	...	10 0	10 0	16 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	8 0 to 10 0	10 0	16 0	11 0	12 0	22 0	...	...	...
	41 Puri	...	6 9	6 9	11 0	...	...	...	7 14	7 14	11 13	11 13	11 13	23 10	...	...	...
CHOTA NAGPUR.																			
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.	42 Hazaribagh	...	8 4	8 0	11 0	9 0	10 0	16 0	6 4	6 0	9 0	7 8	8 0	13 4	...	...	...
	43 Lohardaga	...	5 8 to 8 0	5 8 to 8 8	8 0 to 11 8	9 0	9 0	15 0	6 8	6 8 to 7 0	11 0	7 8 to 8 0	8 0	14 0	...	...	...
	44 Palamau	...	8 11	8 12	11 4	12 6	13 8	18 1	6 12	6 12	9 9	7 5	6 14	11 13	...	...	...
	45 Manbhum	...	8 8	8 8	12 0	12 8	13 0	20 0	8 0	8 0	14 8	8 8	8 12	16 8	...	...	...
46 Singhbhum	...	8 0	8 0	12 0	...	...	...	9 0	9 0	14 0	10 0	10 0	16 0	...	...	...

- T. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Brahmanbaria 9 seers 2 chitaks and Chandpur 9 seers.
 U. At Feni Hat the retail price of salt is 7 seers per rupee.
 V. In the subdivision the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Barh 10 seers, Bihar 10 seers and Dinapore 10½ seers.
 W. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Aurangabad 9½ seers, and Nawada 9 seers, Jahanabad no report.
 X. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Buxar 10½ seers, Bhabua 9½ and Sasaram 10½ seers.
 Y. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Siwan 11 seers 7 chitaks, and Gopalganj 11 seers 11 chitaks.
 Z. At Bettiah the retail price of salt is 10 seers per rupee.
 a. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Hajipur 9½ seers and Sitamarhi 11 seers.

KANONI OR KAIUN,
ITALIAN MILLET,
(*Setaria italica*.)

GRAM CHANA,
CHHOL KADALAY,
OR SUNAGA,
(*C. aridum*.)

Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	re- sponding last year.	Present return.	Next preceding re- turn.	re- sponding last year.
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...	8 0	8 0	12 0

13 0	13 0	10 0	12 0	12 0	11 0
8 8	8 8	8 8	10 12	10 4	18 11
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...	8 6	8 6	...

Station Bazars of the Districts of Bengal on the 15th May 1897—(concluded).

INDIAN-CORN OR MAIZE. (Zea Mays.)			ARHAR OR THUR, CADJAN PEA. (Cajanus indicus.)			SALT.			WHOLESALE PRICES PER MAUND OF 40 SEERS.			DISTRICTS.	Number.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.		
S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		
BENGAL—concluded.													
...	...	...	8 0	10 0	8 0	T 9 0	Panga. 9 0	10 0	...	...	...	Tippera.	24
...	...	...	...	...	...	U 8 0	Panga 8 0	10 0	0 4	12 0	4 0	Noakhali.	25
...	...	...	...	...	...	8 0	8 8	10 0	15 0	0 0	3 12 0	Chittagong.	26
BIHAR.													
...	...	23 0	14 8	15 0	25 0	V 10 8	Panga. 10 8	10 0	3 8 0	3 8 0	3 12 0	Patna.	27
...	...	20 0	12 0	12 8	18 0	W 10 0	Panga. 10 0	5 4 0	4 0 0	3 14 0	3 14 0	Gaya.	28
...	...	20 0	...	12 12	26 0	X 10 0	10 0	10 8	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 13 0	Shahabad.	29
11 0	11 0	22 0	13 12	13 12	22 8	Y 10 0	9 0	9 12	4 0 0	4 4 0	4 1 0	Saran.	30
9 4	9 4	23 0	13 0	13 4	23 0	Z 10 4	10 4	10 0	3 14 0	3 14 0	4 0 0	Champaran.	31
9 12	10 0	24 0	13 0	12 0	23 0	a 11 0	11 0	11 0	3 10 0	3 10 0	3 10 0	Muzaffarpur.	32
9 8	9 0	25 2	11 4	11 8	24 0	b 9 0	10 0	11 7	3 8 0	3 8 0	3 7 0	Darbhanga.	33
...	...	23 0	14 11	13 10	16 0	c 9 15	9 7 1/2	10 0	4 3 4	4 7 2	3 9 3	Monghyr.	34
...	11 6	25 4	13 4	13 4	20 13	d 10 0	10 0	10 1	4 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	Bhagalpur.	35
...	...	...	10 8	12 0	20 0	e 10 0	9 0	10 0	3 10 0	4 0 0	3 13 0	Purnea (Kasba).	36
...	...	26 0	...	...	12 0	Panga. 9 8	9 0	8 0	4 7 0	...	...	Malda (English Bazar).	37
9 8	10 0	24 0	11 8	12 0	16 0	f 10 0	10 4	10 8	3 14 0	3 12 0	3 10 0	Sonthal Parganas.	38
ORISSA.													
...	...	13 2	8 2	17 1	10 12	g 10 12	10 12	10 12	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 5 0	Cuttack.	39
...	...	8 0	8 0	10 8	10 5	h 10 5	10 5	10 8	3 14 0	3 14 0	3 12 0	Balasore.	40
...	...	11 0	10 8	14 7	13 0	i 12 8	11 13	13 0	0 0	3 0 0	3 1 0	Puri.	41
CHOTA NAGPUR													
...	10 0	18 0	10 0	10 8	16 0	j 8 0	Panga. 9 0	8 0	4 12 0	4 5 0	4 7 0	Hazaribagh.	42
8 8	9 0	16 0	{ 6 12 to 7 0 }	{ 6 8 to 7 0 }	{ 10 0 to 15 0 }	8 0	Panga. 8 0	8 8	4 12 0	5 0 0	4 12 0	Lohardaga.	43
...	16 14	11 13	14 1	16 14	8 12	Panga. 9 0	7 5	...	...	...	...	Palamau.	44
0 0	11 0	24 0	11 0	11 0	17 0	k 9 8	9 14	9 0	4 0 0	4 2 0	{ 3 12 0 to 4 0 0 }	Manbhum.	45
...	...	...	10 0	10 0	12 0	Crushed. 7 0	7 0	7 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	Singhbhum.	46

- b. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Samastipur 10 seers and Madhubani 10 seers 6 chitaks.
c. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Begusarai 11 seers and Jamui 9 seers.
d. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Banka 8 seers 6 chitaks, Madhipura 8 1/2 seers, Supaul not reported.
e. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Araria 9 seers and Kishanganj 9 seers.
f. In the subdivisions the retail prices of salt per rupee are :—Deoghur 10 seers (panga), Godda 9 seers (mixed), Jamtara no report, Pakaur 11 seers (karkatch), Rajmahal 8 seers (panga) and 10 seers (karkatch).
g. In the Jajpur and Kendrapara subdivisions the retail price of salt (panga) is 9 seers per rupee.
h. At Bhadrak the retail price of salt is 9 seers per rupee.
i. At Khurda the retail price of salt is 10 1/2 seers per rupee.
j. At Giridih the retail price of salt is 10 seers per rupee.
k. At Gobindpur the retail price of salt is 10 seers per rupee.

Published for general information.

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PRICES-CURRENT (wholesale) of Food-grains, Firewood, &c.,

Number.	MARTS.	RICE (BEST SORT).			COMMON RICE (<i>mota chaul</i>).			WHEAT (<i>Triticum sativum</i>).			BARLEY (<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>).		
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	Calcutta	6 8 0	6 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	4 12 0	3 2 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	3 6 0	3 8 0	3 4 0	2 7 0
2	Burdwan	5 4 0	5 12 0	...	4 6 0	4 10 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	Midnapore	4 8 0	4 10 0	...	4 0 0	3 14 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	Pabna	6 10 0	6 10 0	...	4 9 0	4 6 0	...	4 4 0	4 4 0	...	...	...	...
5	Rangpur	7 0 0	7 0 0	...	5 4 9	5 6 0	...	5 8 0	5 8 0	...	...	...	...
6	Dacca	5 7 0	4 14 0	4 0 0	4 7 0	4 3 0	3 8 0	4 12 0	3 4 0	3 8 0	3 0 0	2 4 0	...
7	Chittagong	5 4 0	5 8 0	3 15 0	4 4 0	4 0 0	3 4 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	3 10 0	...	...	...
8	Patna	4 14 0	4 12 0	3 4 0	4 6 0	4 6 0	2 1 6	3 7 0	3 6 0	{ 2 10 0 and 2 13 0 }	2 13 0	2 10 6	1 10 0
9	Muzaffarpur	8 0 0	6 2 6	...	5 1 7	5 0 0	...	4 3 6	4 3 6	...	3 5 3	3 5 3	...
10	Bhagalpur	5 4 0	5 5 0	...	4 8 0	4 8 0	...	4 3 6	4 3 6	...	3 2 6	3 3 0	...
11	Cuttack	4 5 6	4 5 6	3 0 0	3 4 6	3 3 3	1 13 0	4 13 0	5 1 0	3 2 0	...	...	...
12	Ranchi	6 2 0	{ 5 11 0 to 6 2 0 }	...	{ 5 0 0 to 5 5 0 }	{ 5 0 0 }	...	{ 5 0 0 to 7 4 0 }	{ 4 11 0 to 7 4 0 }	...	4 7 0	4 7 0	...

CALCUTTA,
The 25th May 1897.

JUAR OR CHOLUM (<i>Sorghum vulgare</i>).			BAJRA OR CUMBU (<i>Pennisetum typhoideum</i>).			MARUA OR RAGI (<i>Eleusine corocana</i>).			GRAM, CHANA, CHOLA, KADALAY, OR SUNAGA (<i>Cicer arietinum</i>).		
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
3 8 0	3 4 0	2 1 0	4 8 0	4 8 0	2 12 0	...	...	...	3 12 0	3 10 0	2 12 0
...	3 15 6	3 14 0	...
...	4 2 0	4 0 0	...
...	4 0 0	4 0 0	...
...	4 0 0	4 0 0	...
...	4 8 0	4 0 0	2 8 0
...	5 0 0	5 0 0	3 8 0
...	...	1 14 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 1 3	3 4 0	1 13 0
...	3 13 0	3 13 0	...
...	3 8 0	3 6 3	...
...	Biri or kalai.		...
...	3 0 9	3 0 9	2 0 0
...	4 11 0	5 0 0	}
...	5 11 0	5 11 0	

PRICES PER MAUND

INDIAN-CORN OR MAIZE (Zeamays).			ARHAR DAL OR THUR— CADJAN PEA (<i>Cajanus indicus</i>).			LINSEED.			MUSTARD AND RAPESEED.		
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
4 0 0	3 8 0	2 6 0	3 8 0	3 4 0	2 14 0	4 12 0	4 4 0	5 0 0	4 8 0	4 4 0	...
...	...	...	5 4 0	4 14 0	...	...	...	...	4 8 0	4 8 0	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	4 0 0	4 0 0	...	Black mustard. 4 12 0 / 4 12 0	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	White mustard. 5 0 0 / 5 4 0	...	...
...	...	...	4 7 6	4 7 6	...	3 8 0	3 8 0	...	Rapeseed. 5 4 0 / 5 4 0	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 14 0	3 14 0	...
4 0 0	4 0 0	...	5 8 0	5 8 0	...	11 0 0	11 0 0	...	4 0 0	4 0 0	...
...	...	...	4 12 0	4 2 0	2 6 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 8 0	4 8 0	4 4
...	...	1 11 0	2 10 6	2 9 0	1 9 0	3 4 0	3 4 0	...	3 12 0	3 14 0	...
4 1 9	4 0 0	...	5 0 0	5 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	3 8 0	...	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	3 14 0	3 12 0	...	4 5 6	4 7 0	...
...	...	...	2 14 6	2 14 6	2 4 0	...	...	...	3 18 0	3 13 0	...
...	...	...	8 0 0 to 8 6 6	7 4 0 to 8 0 0	...	6 2 6	5 11 0	...	4 0 0 to 6 0 0	4 0 0 to 4 11 0	...

STANDARD SEERS.

TIL OR JINJILI SEED.			SUGAR (RAW).			COTTON, CLEANED.			JUTE.		
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.	R. A. P.
8 0	4 4 0	4 12 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	4 4 0	17 8 0	17 8 0	17 8 0	5 4 0	5 0 0	4 14 0
...	...	...	4 4 0	4 5 0	...	16 0 0	18 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	4 12 0	4 12 0	...	20 0 0	20 0 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	3 8 0	3 8 0	...	24 0 0	24 0 0	...	4 4 0	4 3 6	5 8 0
...	...	...	5 8 0	5 8 0	...	...	...	...	3 8 0	3 8 0	...
...	...	...	5 0 0	4 8 0	...	...	...	...	3 12 0	3 8 0	...
...	...	...	6 8 0	5 8 0	5 0 0	14 0 0	13 8 0	16 0 0	...	...	...
0 0	4 0 0	...	4 8 0	3 12 0	...	15 0 0	15 0 0	...	2 8 0	2 8 0	...
...
...	...	...	...	...	...	18 0 0	18 0 0	...	...	...	...
5 0	3 5 0	...	5 0 0	4 12 0	...	20 8 0	20 8 0	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	5 11 0	{ 5 11 0 to 5 14 0 }	...	20 0 0	20 0 0	...	...	...	...

GHI (CLARIFIED BUTTER).			TOBACCO LEAF.			HIDES (COW).			GRASS.		
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
30 0 0	30 0 0	34 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	...	{ 260.0-0 per 100 pieces.	{ 250.0-0 per 100 pieces.	...	7 0 0	7 0 0	...
26 0 0	26 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ 28 8 0 to 32 0 0 }	{ 32 0 0 }	...	{ 4 8 0 to 6 0 0 }	{ 5 4 0 to 6 8 0 }	...	{ 0 8 0 to 2 2 0 }	{ 0 8 0 to 2 2 0 }	...	...	...	...
27 0 0	27 0 0	...	8 0 0	8 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
30 0 0	30 0 0	...	8 8 0	3 8 0	...	...	...	...	6 bundles per rupee.	6 bundles per rupee.	...
33 0 0	33 0 0	...	7 8 0	7 8 0	...	27 0 0	27 0 0	...	3 8 0	3 8 0	...
38 0 0	30 0 0	38 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	...	18 0 0	18 0 0	...	...	...	...
22 0 0	22 0 0	...	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	...	...	...	0 6 0	0 6 0	...
24 9 9	22 13 9	...	11 7 0	11 7 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24 1 6	25 10 0	...	5 0 0	5 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
30 8 0	30 8 0	...	0 0	4 0 0	...	22 0 0	22 0 0	...	20 0 0	20 0 0	...
{ 24 9 9 to 30 7 6 }	{ 26 10 0 to 32 0 0 }	...	{ 8 0 0 to 13 0 0 }	{ 8 0 0 to 13 0 0 }	...	{ 2 0 0 to 2 0 0 }	{ 2 0 0 to 2 0 0 }	...	{ 0 4 0 to 0 4 0 }	{ 0 4 0 to 0 4 0 }	...

the undermentioned Marts of Bengal on the 15th May 1897.

STRAW.			JUAR STALKS.			PRICES PER MAUND OF 40 STANDARD SEERS.										MART.
						IRON.		FIREWOOD.			SALT.					
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.		
63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77		
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		
8 0	5 4 0 per kahan.	5 6 0	...	...	...	5 8 0	5 0 0	4 10 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	0 7 0	3 10 0	3 9 0	3 8 0	1. Calcutta.
8 0	7 7 0 per kahan.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 8 0	...	3 6 0	3 6 0	...	2. Burdwan.
0 0	2 0 0 per kahan.	...	...	...	...	{ 4 4 0 to 4 8 0	{ 4 4 0 to 4 8 0	...	0 4 0	0 4 0	...	{ 3 14 0 Panga. 3 11 0	{ 3 15 0 Crushed. 3 11 0	...	3. Midnapore.
15 0	0 13 8 per maund	0 12 0	...	...	...	8 0 0	8 0 0	5 0 0	0 4 0	0 4 0	...	4 1 0	4 1 0	4 1 3	4. Pabna.
10	10 bundles per rupee.	...	...	...	...	6 0 0	6 0	...	0 5 0	0 5 0	...	4 0 0	4 0 0	...	5. Rangpur.
...	...	...	...	...	...	5 8 0	5 8 0	...	0 4 0	0 4 0	0 5 0	4 0 0	4 0 0	3 12 0	6. Dacca.
...	...	...	...	...	...	5 8 0	5 4 0	5 0 0	...	...	...	4 8 0	5 0 0	3 12 0	7. Chittagong.
6 0	0 5 0 per maund.	...	...	...	...	3 0 0	3 0 0	...	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	3 8 0	3 8 0	3 12 0	8. Patna.
...	...	...	...	...	...	8 0 0	8 0 0	...	0 4 0	0 4 0	...	3 10 0	3 10 0	...	9. Muzaffarpur.
...	...	...	...	...	...	5 4 0	5 4 0	...	...	0 4 3	...	4 8 0	4 0 0	...	10. Bhagalpur.
0 0	3 3 0 per kahan.	2 8 0	4 8 0	4 8 0	4 4 0	0 4 0	0 4 0	0 8 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 5 0	11. Cuttack.	
to fixed rate.	5 11 0	5 11 0	...	0 4 0	0 4 0	...	Karkatch. 4 12 0	5 0 0	4 12 0	12. Ranchi.	

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**Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Alipore Observatory from
16th to 22nd May 1897.**

Month.	Date.	Maximum in sun.	Number of hours of bright sunshine.	Mean pressure barometer at 32° Fahr.	TEMPERATURE.				HYGROMETRY.				WIND.		Rain.	WEATHER.
					Mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Mean wet bulb.	Vapour tension.	Dew point.	Humidity.	Prevailing direction.	Miles recorded.		
1897.		°		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	Inches	°	%			Inches.	
May.	16th	152.7	10.4	29.607	88.2	97.2	21.4	75.8	81.2	0.973	78.4	73	S S W and S ...	187	Nil	Partially cloudy.
"	17th	154.5	9.1	.572	90.9	96.9	12.4	84.5	83.2	1.031	80.2	72	S S W and S ...	297	"	Partially cloudy.
"	18th	151.2	7.4	.586	88.9	95.1	9.4	85.7	81.6	0.982	78.7	73	S S W and S ...	350	0.45	Partially cloudy, o, p, t, <
"	19th	148.8	8.2	.628	84.5	91.8	19.6	72.2	78.4	0.894	75.3	76	S S E and S S W	326	Nil	Chiefly cloudy, o, g.
"	20th	149.8	7.3	.624	86.8	93.7	17.0	76.7	80.2	0.947	77.6	74	S S W and S ...	264	"	Partially cloudy.
"	21st	153.2	7.4	.646	86.9	94.1	10.7	83.4	82.1	1.034	80.3	81	S S W and S ...	262	Not measure- able.	Partially cloudy, o, d.
"	22nd	152.0	10.0	.679	88.0	94.2	14.4	79.8	79.7	0.903	76.1	68	S S E and S S W	267	"	Partially cloudy.

The mean pressure of the seven days	...	...	...	...	Inches.
The average pressure of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office	...	...	...	...	29.620
The total number of hours of bright sunshine	...	...	...	...	Hours.
The maximum possible number of hours of sunshine	...	...	...	...	54.8
The mean temperature of the seven days	...	...	...	...	87.7
The average temperature of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office	...	...	...	...	86.5
The extreme variation of temperature	...	...	...	...	25.0
The maximum temperature	...	...	...	...	97.2
The highest velocity of the wind in one hour	...	...	...	...	Miles.
The mean relative humidity	...	...	...	...	74
The average relative humidity of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office	...	...	...	...	73
The total fall of rain from 16th to 22nd May 1897	...	...	...	...	Inches.
The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office	...	...	...	...	0.45
The total fall from 1st January to 22nd May 1897	...	...	...	...	1.00
The average fall of the corresponding period for 24 years, Surveyor-General's Office	...	...	...	...	4.86
The mean pressure, temperature, &c., are deduced from the traces of the Barograph and Thermograph, and from observations made at 6h., 10h., 16h and 22h.	7.79

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METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GOVT. OF INDIA,
Calcutta, the 24th May 1897.

J. H. GILLILAND,
For Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of India.

Results of the Barometrical and Thermometrical Observations taken at the Meteorological Office, Chowringhee, from 16th to 22nd May 1897.

MONTH.	Date.	Pressure at 10 A.M. corrected and reduced to 32° Fahr.	TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETRY.			Rainfall, past 24 hours
			Daily mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Dry bulb at 10 A.M.	Wet bulb at 10 A.M.	Vapour tension at 10 A.M.	Dew point at 10 A.M.	Humidity at 10 A.M.	
1897.		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°	Inches.	°	%	Inches.
May	16th	29.675	87.1	98.2	22.3	75.9	91.5	84.2	1.077	81.5	73	0.56
"	17th	613	91.7	99.0	14.6	84.4	94.6	85.6	1.106	82.3	68	Nil
"	18th	621	91.3	97.0	11.4	85.6	94.5	84.4	1.045	80.6	64	"
"	19th	667	82.4	92.9	21.1	71.8	88.6	82.5	1.030	80.2	77	0.76
"	20th	675	86.8	96.0	18.4	77.6	91.1	82.0	.971	78.4	67	Nil
"	21st	695	89.6	96.0	12.8	83.2	92.1	83.5	1.033	80.2	69	"
"	22nd	719	88.8	96.8	16.0	80.8	93.3	82.5	.967	78.2	62	"

The mean 10 A.M. pressure of the seven days Inches. 29.666

The mean temperature of the seven days 88.2

The extreme variation of temperature 27.2

The maximum temperature 99.0

The mean 10 A.M. relative humidity of the seven days % 69

The total fall of rain from 16th to 22nd May 1897 Inch. 1.32

The daily mean temperatures are the crude means of maximum and minimum temperatures.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,
The 24th May 1897.

C. LITTLE,
Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of Bengal.

CIRCULAR AND EASTERN CANALS.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ending Saturday, the 22nd May 1897,
as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

NATURE OF CARGO.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 22ND MAY 1897.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 23RD MAY 1896.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
	No.	Mds.	Rs.	No.	Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy	139	14,595	169	107	26,360	365
Jute	9	8,750	81	6	3,125	61
Firewood	65	27,700	409	114	85,350	1,293
Other articles	436	85,360	1,060	593	1,64,322	2,576
Total	649	1,36,405	1,719	820	2,79,157	4,295

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METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, GOVT. OF INDIA,
Calcutta, the 24th May 1897.

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For Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of India.

Results of the Barometrical and Thermometrical Observations taken at the Meteorological Office, Chowringhee, from 16th to 22nd May 1897.

MONTH.	Date.	Pressure at 10 A.M. corrected and reduced to 32° Fahr.	TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETRY.			Rainfall, past 24 hours
			Daily mean.	Maximum.	Range.	Minimum.	Dry bulb at 10 A.M.	Wet bulb at 10 A.M.	Vapour tension at 10 A.M.	Dew point at 10 A.M.	Humidity at 10 A.M.	
1897.		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°	Inches.	°	%	Inches.
May	16th	29.675	87.1	98.2	22.3	75.9	91.5	84.2	1.077	81.5	73	0.56
"	17th	.613	91.7	99.0	14.6	84.4	94.6	85.6	1.106	82.3	68	Nil
"	18th	.621	91.3	97.0	11.4	85.6	94.5	84.4	1.045	80.6	64	Nil
"	19th	.667	82.4	92.9	21.1	71.8	88.6	82.5	1.030	80.2	77	0.76
"	20th	.675	86.8	96.0	18.4	77.6	91.1	82.0	.971	78.4	67	Nil
"	21st	.695	89.6	96.0	12.8	83.2	92.1	83.5	1.033	80.2	69	Nil
"	22nd	.719	88.8	96.8	16.0	80.3	93.3	82.5	.967	78.2	62	"

The mean 10 A.M. pressure of the seven days	...	...	...	Inches.
The mean temperature of the seven days	...	...	...	88.2
The extreme variation of temperature	...	...	...	27.2
The maximum temperature	...	...	...	99.0
The mean 10 A.M. relative humidity of the seven days	...	...	...	% 69
The total fall of rain from 16th to 22nd May 1897	...	...	...	Inch. 1.32
The daily mean temperatures are the crude means of maximum and minimum temperatures.				

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, BENGAL,
The 24th May 1897.

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CIRCULAR AND EASTERN CANALS.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ending Saturday, the 22nd May 1897,
as compared with the corresponding week of the previous year.

NATURE OF CARGO.	WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 22ND MAY 1897.			WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, THE 23RD MAY 1896.		
	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.	Number of boats.	Weight of cargo.	Tollage.
	No.	Mds.	Rs.	No.	Mds.	Rs.
Rice and paddy	139	14,595	169	107	26,360	365
Jute	9	8,750	81	6	3,125	61
Firewood	65	27,700	409	114	85,350	1,293
Other articles	436	85,360	1,060	593	1,64,322	2,576
Total	649	1,36,405	1,719	820	2,79,157	4,295

Vital Statistics of the Districts of Bengal for the month of March 1897.

Divisions.	Districts.	Births.		Deaths.								Average of corresponding month of previous five years.	Remarks.								
		Population under registration.	Number registered.	Cholera.		Small-pox.		Fever.	Injury.		Other causes.			Total of all causes.							
				ed. Number register-	Ratio per 1,000 of population annum.	ed. Number register-	Ratio per 1,000 of population annum.		ed. Number register-	Ratio per 1,000 of population annum.	ed. Number register-				Ratio per 1,000 of population annum.	ed. Number register-	Ratio per 1,000 of population annum.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Burdwan	Burdwan	1,391,880	4,539	40.08	1,580	11.88	160	1.52	3,049	26.28	146	1.20	10	.08	901	7.68	5,646	48.60	5,232	45.00	
	Birbhum	788,254	2,077	41.64	918	5.12	35	.48	1,587	25.76	9	.12	13	.12	685	9.56	2,481	37.24	2,791	47.04	
	Bankura	1,069,668	5,578	47.16	770	8.52	30	.24	1,908	25.32	58	.60	10	.10	629	6.96	3,405	58.16	3,782	64.92	
	Midnapore	2,631,316	10,000	45.96	1,327	5.64	194	.60	2,557	30.00	184	2.04	32	.32	1,159	5.28	3,805	44.04	3,782	64.92	
Presidency	Hooghly, including Saram-pore.	1,034,256	3,482	40.32	430	4.92	66	.60	2,557	30.00	184	2.04	32	.32	1,159	5.28	3,805	44.04	3,782	64.92	
	Howrah	763,035	2,943	46.20	553	8.64	53	.84	1,151	18.00	313	4.80	24	.36	460	7.08	2,556	40.08	2,297	34.08	
	24-Parganas	1,892,033	5,947	57.68	1,020	6.48	24	.12	3,183	20.16	131	.72	64	.36	381	2.40	4,812	50.48	5,300	55.00	
	Calcutta	681,500	1,116	19.56	618	11.28	39	.48	965	26.04	248	4.72	33	.48	650	11.40	2,572	45.24	2,343	41.16	
Rajshahi	Nadia	1,644,108	7,131	45.56	690	5.04	15	.10	3,568	26.04	15	.10	37	.24	711	5.16	6,045	37.40	6,408	40.45	
	Murshidabad	1,230,046	8,493	53.98	80	.76	7	.06	2,907	27.84	5	.05	20	.12	4.3	4.56	3,452	35.00	4,277	40.92	
	Jessore	1,888,287	4,439	45.12	2,038	12.84	11	.06	2,430	24.72	21	.12	80	.24	588	5.88	5,220	53.16	5,400	54.56	
	Khulna	1,177,692	7,455	45.12	2,141	21.84	...	...	4,484	36.72	1	.12	37	.36	237	5.88	5,062	38.88	5,426	41.76	
Dacca	Dinajpur	1,355,835	3,040	53.52	11	.06	...	...	2,089	36.72	37	.60	11	.12	68	1.08	825	44.28	2,251	39.24	
	Jalpaiguri	223,314	9,078	59.68	245	15.92	...	...	568	30.56	36	.96	9	.48	214	11.40	7,245	45.00	6,658	40.56	
	Darjeeling	2,005,464	5,154	45.56	924	1.92	...	...	1,680	44.52	16	.12	21	.12	131	1.08	5,455	48.00	3,206	30.48	
	Boaga	1,861,223	17,353	60.00	803	5.00	32	.12	3,873	19.52	207	1.52	33	.32	1,151	5.76	8,017	31.32	8,546	29.28	
Chittagong	Palna	2,395,692	17,353	60.00	803	5.00	32	.12	3,873	19.52	207	1.52	33	.32	1,151	5.76	8,017	31.32	8,546	29.28	
	Mymensingh	3,472,156	17,353	60.00	803	5.00	32	.12	3,873	19.52	207	1.52	33	.32	1,151	5.76	8,017	31.32	8,546	29.28	
	Faridpur	1,823,543	7,489	49.20	2,315	16.44	6	.05	5,493	36.72	95	.60	44	.12	1,004	3.56	6,944	60.24	6,944	60.24	
	Backergunge	2,153,963	2,191	51.12	3,233	21.84	...	...	5,479	30.48	84	.74	74	.36	1,882	10.44	11,414	63.48	8,294	55.52	
Chittagong	Tippura	1,752,095	4,188	61.56	1,113	10.08	...	...	3,387	21.68	58	.56	35	.12	706	4.68	6,700	38.28	8,811	25.56	
	Noakhali	1,009,693	4,583	45.56	373	5.56	...	...	2,694	31.56	72	.24	27	.24	338	3.96	3,889	46.20	2,547	30.24	
	Chittagong	1,290,167	4,583	45.56	373	5.56	...	...	2,694	31.56	72	.24	27	.24	338	3.96	3,889	46.20	2,547	30.24	
	South Lushai	1,772,352	5,944	40.20	14	.08	925	1.92	3,344	15.84	101	.60	61	.36	833	5.64	3,648	21.60	3,963	26.88	
Patna	Patna	2,158,331	8,428	36.00	6	.02	405	.16	3,151	17.64	66	.60	91	.48	555	5.00	4,273	23.32	4,539	25.52	
	Gaya	2,080,579	8,672	38.40	...	.12	1,147	.60	3,649	21.92	32	.24	76	.48	705	4.08	5,579	32.40	4,137	24.00	
	Shahabad	2,469,895	5,204	33.60	...	.12	68	.36	3,289	15.96	204	.96	46	.24	2,456	11.88	6,131	39.76	5,188	25.00	
	Saran	1,859,465	3,204	33.60	...	.12	56	.36	4,295	27.36	4	.02	46	.24	1,229	7.92	5,630	36.24	4,570	29.40	
Bhagalpur	Champaran	2,713,455	3,204	41.52	...	.00	13	.04	4,195	27.36	20	.08	49	.12	800	5.48	7,084	31.32	7,003	31.32	
	Muzaffarpur	2,801,655	10,132	43.52	...	.00	13	.04	4,195	27.36	20	.08	49	.12	800	5.48	7,084	31.32	7,003	31.32	
	Darbhanga	2,918,621	7,489	49.80	77	.36	184	1.08	3,833	20.94	101	.56	42	.12	712	3.00	6,341	26.64	6,791	30.84	
	Monghyr	2,032,696	7,489	49.80	77	.36	184	1.08	3,833	20.94	101	.56	42	.12	712	3.00	6,341	26.64	6,791	30.84	
Bhagalpur	Purnea	1,944,558	11,464	46.80	130	.72	39	.12	5,886	29.92	42	.24	25	.12	744	2.76	4,000	27.12	5,291	38.84	
	Malda	814,919	3,464	58.32	...	.00	...	.09	1,839	15.92	8	.08	8	.08	175	2.52	2,028	38.64	6,293	58.64	
	South Parganas	1,763,775	3,965	57.52	...	.00	...	.09	2,039	25.92	23	.12	29	.12	192	2.52	2,985	29.76	3,362	22.92	
	Chittack	1,937,671	8,161	55.08	983	5.36	24	.24	2,923	14.04	433	.92	65	.48	1,631	10.08	5,660	55.04	5,824	36.00	
Orissa	Balaseore	994,635	3,756	48.12	323	4.08	206	2.52	431	5.64	233	2.76	25	.24	1,307	16.56	2,530	50.60	3,296	38.64	
	Puri	944,598	4,051	41.76	7	.07	37	.36	2,213	22.80	35	.56	42	.36	510	5.16	2,844	29.28	3,401	35.04	
	Angul and Khondals	1,164,821	4,051	41.76	7	.07	37	.36	2,213	22.80	35	.56	42	.36	510	5.16	2,844	29.28	3,401	35.04	
	Hazaribagh	1,123,885	1,924	38.64	...	.12	7	.12	1,086	21.60	141	1.44	43	.48	888	9.56	2,494	26.40	2,999	30.84	
Chota Nag.	Lohardaga	996,770	3,386	53.96	436	4.32	2	.01	1,018	19.20	10	.09	24	.24	1,088	3.56	1,992	25.92	1,769	26.40	
	Palamu	1,193,353	1,890	41.64	...	.12	...	...	1,068	23.40	23	.48	13	.12	1,295	2.64	2,946	29.32	2,549	26.40	
	
	
Total		71,070,233	281,506	47.52	25,828	4.20	3,477	.48	145,405	24.72	3,021	.60	1,582	.24	30,679	5.16	211,392	35.64	197,627	35.36	
Average of corresponding month of previous five years.		...	280,707	58.16	19,007	3.712	2,120	.24	144,609	24.36	3,566	.60	1,432	.24	29,903	4.44	197,627	35.36	...	...
Difference + or -		...	+ 54,700	+ 9.56	+ 6,331	+ 1.098	+ 1,257	+ .24	+ 1,696	+ .36	+ 39	Equal	+ 150	Equal	+ 3,776	+ .72	+ 13,705	+ 9.28	...	...

Vital Statistics of Towns in Bengal with a population of 20,000 and over during the month of March 1897.

DISTRICTS.	TOWNS.	Population under registra- tion.	BIRTHS.		CHOLERA.		SMALL-POX.		FEVER.		DYSENTERY AND DIARRHŒA.		INJURY.		OTHER CAUSES.		TOTAL OF ALL CAUSES.		AVERAGE OF CORRESPONDING MONTHS PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS.		REMARKS.
			Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	Number re-	Ratio per 1,000 of population.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Burdwan	1. Burdwan	34,477	52	18.00	12	4.08	2	60	70	24.36	20	6.96	...	...	18	6.24	122	42.36	162	56.28	
Midnapore	2. Midnapore	32,364	65	20.12	15	5.59	...	...	60	22.20	17	6.24	...	...	17	6.24	110	40.90	127	47.76	
Hoochly	3. Hoochly and Chinsura	33,060	80	24.22	58	21.00	...	...	43	15.00	31	10.32	...	...	25	8.28	181	66.00	151	54.72	
Howrah	4. Serampore	35,933	81	27.00	51	16.92	21	8.04	64	21.36	65	6.00	...	...	25	8.28	198	66.00	151	54.72	
	5. Howrah	116,696	294	30.24	105	10.80	40	4.08	213	21.84	65	6.00	...	...	14	5.28	593	51.60	381	56.56	
24-Parganas	6. Cossimbore-Chitpur	31,433	53	20.16	31	11.76	...	...	31	11.76	2	2.72	...	...	14	5.28	78	29.76	63	24.00	
	7. Manikiala	32,865	43	15.60	20	7.20	...	...	51	11.28	6	2.72	...	...	7	3.24	69	25.08	58	24.12	
	8. Barragore	34,278	107	37.44	56	19.56	1	2.4	53	20.64	10	3.48	...	...	7	3.24	135	47.16	98	37.20	
	9. South Suburban	69,642	174	29.88	55	9.36	...	...	89	14.64	4	6.00	...	...	10	1.68	130	26.88	130	26.88	
	10. Khorid or South Bar- rackpore.	35,947	47	15.72	21	6.96	...	...	47	15.72	8	2.64	...	...	5	1.68	87	29.28	90	30.24	
	11. Nalhati	22,724	64	25.80	63	25.44	...	...	62	24.96	8	3.12	...	...	6	2.40	140	56.40	104	41.88	
	12. Nabadan or North Barrackpore.	20,980	64	22.8	5	2.76	...	...	49	27.96	23	13.08	...	...	7	3.96	85	48.60	80	45.72	
	13. Calcutta	681,500	1,116	19.56	646	11.28	30	4.8	965	16.92	248	4.32	...	...	650	11.40	2,572	45.24	2,343	41.16	
Nadia	14. Krishnagar	25,500	63	29.64	31	9.84	...	...	39	18.24	...	...	...	...	17	7.92	77	36.12	106	40.80	
Murshidabad	15. Santipur	30,437	76	29.88	81	31.92	...	...	51	19.04	...	...	...	...	11	4.32	144	56.76	95	37.44	
Rajshahi	16. Berhampore	23,515	54	27.48	...	...	...	...	56	25.56	...	...	...	...	4	2.94	163	52.04	60	30.60	
Dacca	17. Rampur Bealia	21,407	59	33.00	...	...	...	...	32	29.04	...	...	...	...	1	4.8	57	31.92	71	30.72	
	18. Sirajganj	23,297	44	22.68	...	...	...	...	33	18.00	...	...	...	...	1	4.8	37	19.08	40	20.52	
Chittagong	19. Dacca	82,321	209	30.36	...	...	...	...	36	13.92	28	4.08	...	...	58	8.40	180	27.60	282	37.72	
	20. Chittagong	24,009	41	20.40	...	...	...	...	38	13.92	...	...	...	...	7	3.48	33	17.40	321	39.96	
Patna	21. Patna City	165,192	418	30.36	...	...	...	...	172	12.48	42	3.00	...	...	87	6.24	321	25.28	428	39.96	
	22. Bihar	47,723	139	34.92	...	...	...	...	62	15.48	4	9.6	...	...	25	6.24	68	23.76	128	39.96	
Gaya	23. Dinapore	44,419	156	36.72	...	...	...	...	63	14.76	...	...	...	...	19	5.04	77	20.76	84	39.96	
	24. Gaya	80,383	95	25.08	...	...	...	...	69	13.00	...	...	...	...	24	5.48	212	31.66	261	39.96	
Shahabad	25. Arrah	46,905	95	31.08	...	...	...	...	69	13.00	...	...	...	...	9	2.98	78	19.92	86	22.68	
	26. Sasaram	22,713	59	31.08	...	...	...	...	21	11.52	...	...	...	...	6	3.12	44	23.16	43	22.68	
Samt	27. Chapra	22,750	105	31.08	...	...	...	...	21	11.52	...	...	...	...	6	3.12	44	23.16	43	22.68	
	28. Bettiah	22,750	105	31.08	...	...	...	...	21	11.52	...	...	...	...	6	3.12	44	23.16	43	22.68	
Champaran	29. Muzaffarpur	49,192	113	32.40	...	...	...	...	63	14.76	...	...	...	...	49	10.20	116	24.24	85	17.76	
	30. Hajipur	21,487	73	27.48	...	...	...	...	63	14.76	...	...	...	...	26	15.68	91	47.88	59	30.96	
Darbhanga	31. Darbhanga	73,551	221	46.32	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
	32. Monghyr	69,077	221	36.00	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
Bhagalpur	33. Bhagalpur	69,106	226	40.92	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
	34. Cuttack	47,186	95	24.12	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
Balasore	35. Balasore	20,775	79	45.60	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
	36. Puri	28,794	42	17.40	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
Lohardaga	37. Ranohi	20,306	55	32.40	...	...	...	...	106	26.80	...	...	...	...	12	2.88	120	29.16	158	38.52	
	Total of all towns with a population of 20,000 and over.	2,293,945	5,039	26.28	1,312	6.84	118	60	5,225	17.28	636	3.24	100	4.8	1,487	7.68	6,979	36.48	7,120	37.20	
	Average of the corre- sponding month of pre- vious five years.	.....	4,553	23.76	1,942	5.40	279	1.44	5,480	18.12	636	3.24	85	3.6	1,508	8.28	7,120	37.20	...	...
	Difference + or -	.....	+486	+2.52	+270	+1.44	-161	-84	-151	-84	Equal	Equal	+15	+1.2	-111	-60	-141	-7.2	...	...

OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR BENGAL,
The 22nd May 1897.

H. J. DYSON, F.R.C.S., Surgeon-Major,
Sanitary Commissioner for Bengal.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 15th May 1897 on 1,701.11 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	351,201	Rs. A. P. 3,23,858 12 0	Mds. S. 41,79,696 0	Rs. A. P. 8,68,062 3 0	Rs. A. P. 19,929 0 0	Rs. A. P. 12,12,449 15 0	87,938	158,494	246,432
Or per mile of railway ...	...	190 6 1	...	510 10 4	11 11 5	712 11 10	...	...	...
For previous 18½ weeks of half-year ...	*5,742,611	*60,56,202 2 0	†7,57,76,449 10	1,57,78,424 0 0	‡8,95,490 0 0	2,22,30,116 2 0	1,638,185½	2,802,912	4,441,097½
Total for 19½ weeks ...	6,093,812	63,80,060 14 0	7,99,56,145 10	1,66,47,086 3 0	4,15,419 0 0	2,34,42,566 1 0	1,766,123½	2,961,406	4,727,530½
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	348,003½	3,33,532 9 11	29,83,564 20	6,36,309 5 6	19,042 11 8	9,90,884 11 1	80,878	126,503	207,381
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	197 5 7	...	374 4 2	11 3 2	582 12 11	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 19½ weeks of previous year ...	6,716,534½	73,65,726 2 2	6,99,93,445 0	1,42,50,799 6 10	3,77,246 14 1	2,19,93,772 7 1	1,632,438	2,741,408	4,373,846

* Deducted No. of passengers 1,168 and added Rs. 9,863 }
 † Ditto Mds. 4,73,393 and " 12,565 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended
 ‡ Ditto " 2,392 } 3rd April 1897, less Mds. 1,42,647 and Rs. 28,105 adjusted in the week ended 17th April 1897.

TARKESSUR BRANCH RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 15th May 1897 on 22.23 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	21,371	Rs. A. P. 5,368 13 0	Mds. S. 16,390 20	Rs. A. P. 657 9 0	Rs. A. P. 7 0 0	Rs. A. P. 6,033 6 0	1,109	79	1,188
Or per mile of railway ...	...	241 8 2	...	29 9 3	0 5 1	271 6 6	...	...	...
For previous 18½ weeks of half-year ...	*464,800	*1,19,874 10 0	†3,67,272 10	†12,795 8 0	‡110 0 0	1,32,781 2 0	20,212	1,744	21,956
Total for 19½ weeks ...	486,171	1,25,243 17 0	†3,83,662 30	13,454 1 0	117 0 0	1,38,814 8 0	21,321	1,823	23,144
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	21,561	5,162 5 5	10,630 20	449 10 0	12 8 9	5,624 8 2	1,119	69	1,188
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	232 3 7	...	20 3 8	0 9 0	253 0 3	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 19½ weeks of previous year ...	403,836	1,25,356 10 11	2,65,307 30	9,695 13 0	240 4 3	1,35,292 12 2	22,252	1,596	23,848

* Added No. of passengers 1,534 and Rs. 881 }
 † Ditto " 14 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended 1st
 ‡ Ditto " 3 } April 1897.

DELHI-UMBALLA-KALKA RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the week ended 15th May 1897 on 160.47 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
Total traffic for the week ...	17,670	Rs. A. P. 15,843 1 0	Mds. S. 79,162 30	Rs. A. P. 9,699 3 0	Rs. A. P. 72 0 0	Rs. A. P. 25,524 4 0	7,166	4,279	11,445
Or per mile of railway ...	...	98 11 8	...	59 14 1	0 7 2	159 0 11	...	...	...
For previous 18½ weeks of half-year ...	*313,008	*2,80,492 4 0	†17,63,816 0	†2,04,010 3 0	‡1,150 0 0	4,85,652 7 0	192,768	68,314	261,082
Total for 19½ weeks ...	330,678	2,94,335 5 0	18,42,978 30	2,13,619 6 0	1,222 0 0	5,11,176 11 0	199,934	72,593	272,527
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	21,394½	17,463 7 1	52,609 20	6,733 4 0	76 2 6	24,272 13 7	7,096	4,563	11,659
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	...	108 3 2	...	41 11 6	0 7 7	150 6 3	...	...	...
Total for corresponding 19½ weeks of previous year ...	409,951	3,36,969 3 8	13,11,237 20	1,76,592 2 7	1,220 3 9	5,14,781 10 0	132,563	68,081	200,644

* Added No. of passengers 1,028 and Rs. 3,240 }
 † Deducted Mds. 24,226 and " 1,344 } on account of difference between the approximate and audited figures for the week ended 3rd April
 ‡ Added " 4 } 1897.

EASTERN BENGAL STATE RAILWAY.

(INCLUDING N. B., DACCA, K. D., AND ASSAM-BEHAR SECTIONS.)

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 15th May 1897 on 814 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (including ferry).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	204,080	97,750 0 0	6,33,720 0	1,08,870 0 0	5,200 0 0	2,11,820 0 0	31,500	38,018	69,518
per mile of railway ...	251	120 0 0	786 0	134 0 0	1 0 0	255 0 0	.....	.....	.....
previous 18 weeks of half-year ...	3,626,957	19,49,446 0 0	1,41,16,712 0	20,94,139 0 0	2,42,660 0 0	42,86,265 0 0	621,384	601,010	1,223,393
Total for 19 weeks ...	3,831,037	20,47,196 0 0	1,47,50,432 0	22,03,009 0 0	2,47,860 0 0	44,98,085 0 0	652,884	639,937	1,292,821
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding period of previous year ...	205,702	91,763 0 0	6,89,901 0	1,05,074 0 0	6,806 0 0	2,04,543 0 0	30,428	28,633	59,061
per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	253	113 0 0	840 0	130 0 0	1 0 0	244 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	4,112,180	20,36,946 0 0	1,57,07,945 0	23,58,977 0 0	2,81,943 0 0	46,77,866 0 0	613,166	597,479	1,210,645

* Audited up to 20th March 1897.
† Excluding steamer earnings.

DACCA STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 15th May 1897 on 86 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	20,189	5,880 0 0	17,680 0	1,680 0 0	40 0 0	7,600 0 0	2,943	889	3,832
per mile of railway ...	235	68 0 0	205 0	20 0 0	.....	88 0 0	.....	.....	.....
previous 18 weeks of half-year ...	386,478	1,16,284 0 0	582,686 0	50,204 0 0	3,291 0 0	1,71,779 0 0	48,836	17,127	65,962
Total for 19 weeks ...	406,667	1,24,164 0 0	599,766 0	51,884 0 0	3,331 0 0	1,79,379 0 0	51,778	18,016	69,794
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding period of previous year ...	19,702	5,843 0 0	24,477 0	2,151 0 0	71 0 0	8,065 0 0	2,487	737	3,224
per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	229	68 0 0	285 0	25 0 0	1 0 0	94 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	442,662	1,39,243 0 0	514,937 0	48,089 0 0	4,468 0 0	1,91,800 0 0	47,780	16,260	64,040

* Audited up to 20th March 1897.

BENGAL CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Approximate Return of Traffic and Mileage for the week ended 8th May 1897 on 125 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	34,103	13,181 0 0	63,082 0	4,681 0 0	722 0 0	17,984 0 0	4,442	2,950	7,392
per mile of railway ...	273	106 0 0	505 0	33 0 0	6 0 0	144 0 0	.....	.....	.....
previous 17 weeks of half-year ...	571,941	2,20,513 0 0	12,31,431 0	70,065 0 0	6,247 0 0	2,96,825 0 0	70,533	47,044	117,577
Total for 18 weeks ...	606,044	2,33,694 0 0	12,84,513 0	74,146 0 0	6,969 0 0	3,14,809 0 0	74,945	49,994	124,939
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	39,572	12,354 0 0	69,067 0	4,545 0 0	80 0 0	16,979 0 0	3,680	1,902	5,582
per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	317	99 0 0	552 0	36 0 0	1 0 0	136 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	633,910	2,17,670 0 0	12,20,432 0	74,740 0 0	3,168 0 0	2,96,878 0 0	79,046	35,573	114,619

Audited up to week ending 6th March 1897.

ASSAM-BENGAL RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for the Week ended 8th May 1897 on 348 miles open for all descriptions of Traffic and an additional 12 miles for Goods Traffic only.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated).	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES ETC.		
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Mds. S.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			
Total traffic for the week ...	19,985	11,146 0 0	2,02,553 0	8,924 0 0	234 0 0	20,304 0 0	3,400	7,143	10,543
Or per mile of railway ...	57.43	32.03 0 0	562.65 0	24.79 0 0	65 0 0	57.47 0 0	9.94	19.84	29.78
For previous 17 weeks of half-year (a) ...	334,877	2,05,012 0 0	28,90,729 0	1,47,067 0 0	8,655 0 0	3,61,334 0 0	66,592	122,184	188,776
Total for 18 weeks ...	374,862	2,16,158 0 0	30,93,282 0	1,56,591 0 0	8,889 0 0	3,81,638 0 0	70,052	129,327	199,379
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year ...	14,029	7,072 0 0	1,94,491 0	3,689 0 0	182 0 0	10,943 0 0	2,384	3,810	6,194
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	89.36	45.04 0 0	1,238.80 0	23.50 0 0	1.16 0 0	69.70 0 0	15.18	24.27	39.45
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	287,872	1,81,433 0 0	40,68,233 0	86,121 0 0	3,113 0 0	2,70,687 0 0	44,751	79,398	124,149

(a) Includes audited figures to 20th March 1897.

FINANCIAL YEAR.

Approximate Statement of Gross Receipts of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 8TH MAY 1897.			RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING 9TH MAY 1896.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST APRIL 1897 TO 8TH MAY 1897.			TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM 1ST JULY 1895 TO 9TH MAY 1896.			Total increase in 1897.	Total decrease in 1897.
Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Receipts.	Per mile worked.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked per week.	Mean mileage worked.	Total receipts.	Per mile worked per week.	Rs.	
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
360	20,304	57.47	157	10,943	69.70	360	1,03,073	.....	157	70,035	.....	33,038	.....

BENGAL AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.

(INCLUDES TIRHUT STATE RAILWAY.)

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ending 8th May 1897 on 815 miles open.

	COACHING TRAFFIC.		MERCHANDISE AND MINERAL TRAFFIC.		Other earnings (estimated), including steam-boat.	Total earnings.	TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES ETC.		
	Number of passengers.	Receipts.	Weight carried.	Receipts.			Coaching.	Merchandise.	Total.
		Rs.	Mds.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
Total traffic for the week on 815 miles open ...	116,410	(a) 45,410	670,560	(b) 81,740	16,050	(b) 1,43,208	15,711	(c) 25,110	40,821
Or per mile of railway ...	142.83	55.72	822.77	109.29	19.69	175.70	.....	.....	.....
For previous 17 1/2 weeks of half-year (d) ...	1,833,438	7,77,266	8,557,904	10,43,174	2,73,467	20,93,907	269,381	589,770	859,151
Total for 18 1/2 weeks ...	1,949,848	8,22,676	9,228,464	11,34,914	2,89,517	23,57,107	285,092	607,886	892,978
COMPARISON.									
Total for corresponding week of previous year on 756 miles open ...	182,509	60,630	510,481	65,288	15,661	1,41,479	15,433	(e) 83,918	99,351
Per mile of railway corresponding week of previous year ...	201.73	80.05	673.24	86.37	20.72	187.14	.....	.....	.....
Total to corresponding date of previous year ...	2,188,306	9,01,229	9,067,185	12,26,794	2,67,973	22,96,026	263,144	621,805	884,949

(a) Decrease is chiefly due to earnings having been high last year.

(b) Increase is due to brisker traffic.

(c) Includes 547 miles of ballast trains run on open line.

(d) " audited figures up to week ending 13th March 1897.

(e) " 3,556 miles of ballast trains run on open line.

DARJEELING-HIMALAYAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Approximate earnings for the week ending 15th May 1897 ...	17,157	0	0
Corresponding period of 1896 ...	19,649	12	0
Decrease ...	2,492	12	0
Receipts per mile for the week ending 15th May 1897 ...	336	6	7
Corresponding period of 1896 ...	385	4	8
Decrease ...	48	14	1
Receipts from 1st January to 15th May 1897 ...	2,39,725	0	0
Corresponding period of 1896 ...	2,89,258	0	0
Decrease ...	49,533	0	0

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9. The following table shows the numbers on gratuitous relief and the daily doles in comparison with the corresponding figures for March:—

DISTRICT.	ON 27TH MARCH.		1ST MAY.		AVERAGE DOLE PER ADULT UNIT.	
	Total number.	Percentage of population of affected area.	Total number.	Percentage of population of affected area.	Second-half of March.	Second-half of April.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Shahabad	17,225	4.63	22,517	5.08	A. P. 0 10	A. P. 0 10
Saran	27,319	1.84	50,849	3.59	0 8	0 7
Champanan	61,504	3.95	66,895	4.30	0 10 ⁹	0 11 ¹
Muzaffarpur	31,274	1.88	69,049	4.16	0 9	0 9
Darbhanga	59,374	2.65	78,003	3.49	0 8 ¹	0 9 ⁴²
	196,696	2.69	287,313	3.9	.....	.....

Percentage of population on—		
	Relief works.	Gratuitous relief.
* Shahabad ...	1.82	5.08
Saran ...	1.63	3.59
Champanan ...	4.56	4.30
Muzaffarpur ...	3.21	4.16
Darbhanga ...	5.7	3.49
Whole Division...	3.9	3.9

The numbers on gratuitous relief, which include dependants of relief workers, are large in comparison* with the numbers on relief works. This is specially noticeable in the case of Shahabad and Saran. The Collector of Shahabad explains the highness of the numbers on gratuitous relief in his reports for the

first-half of February and of March thus:—

"At present acute distress is chiefly confined to the pauper population and to the lower strata of the labouring classes. The pauper population in this subdivision (Bhabhua) is large, and its number is swelled by a number of adult males wholly or partially crippled in their legs, many of them still in early manhood or the prime of life. Men in this state are to be found in most villages: in one village of 60 houses I found no fewer than 14. The disease, whatever it is, is prevalent in this part of the country, and appears to come from an over-diet of khesari. The physique of the pauper and lower labouring classes, especially among the children, has got very low, and there are a certain number of adult men and women who in their present condition are hardly fit for work, though later on they may become so. I anticipate, therefore, that our gratuitous relief lists will be rather large to begin with, and the number on them in this month and next will be from 12,000 to 15,000.

"There is always a stream of travellers up and down the Grand Trunk Road, and this year there has been some increase owing to the scarcity up-country. There has been a very large emigration of men from the Bhabhua subdivision to the east in search of work. Every year this emigration takes place, but it has doubtless been intensified this year by the approach of distress. It may also be noted that in ordinary years very little attention is paid to this matter, while this year the subject has been forcibly impressed upon our notice, and it is found that the number of women and children left by their husbands and fathers is very large indeed. It is almost impossible to obtain figures, nor could much reliance be placed upon what figures were given. It remains to be seen whether these men will return home when the *rabi* harvest is over. If they do, the difficult problem of finding work for all the women and children, who can carry but not dig, will be more easily soluble. In Sabar outpost in the Sadar subdivision, about 150 men are reported to have gone to Eastern Bengal in search of employment. Some needy persons have come from Balliah and Azamgarh districts to the Dumraon thana jurisdiction, and find employment in the *rabi* harvest. When this is over, they will return to their respective districts.

In Saran large numbers of able-bodied men are reported to have temporarily emigrated to Eastern Bengal, leaving their families behind, who in consequence of the high prices have to be provided for by the State. Further and constant checking of the lists of gratuitous relief, and the introduction of the system of piece-work lately sanctioned for certain large works and in certain local areas, will, it is hoped, have the effect of reducing the present numbers of gratuitous relief in some of the districts of North Bihar as well as in other parts of the Province. The remarks conveyed in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of Mr. Holderness' letter No. ^{1191F}₇₋₁₄, dated the 4th May 1897, have been communicated to the officers concerned, and a further communication will be made on the subject when their reports are received.

There is still some variation in the average dole, which continues to be lowest in Saran and highest in Champanan.

10. *Physical condition of the people, &c.*—Public health and the physical condition of the people continued to be generally good. The death-rate in the affected tracts in Shahabad was higher than usual in consequence of the prevalence of small-pox throughout the whole of the Bhabhua subdivision and the Chenari outpost of the Sasaram subdivision. The total number of deaths in the affected area in March 1897, caused by small-pox, amounted to 270 against 11 in the corresponding month of the previous year. The condition of the cattle was fairly good, except in the Bhabhua subdivision of the district of Shahabad, where the supply of fodder and water is said to be deficient. Cattle disease is reported from Darbhanga.

11. *Loans.*—The following table shows the advances made for village works under the modified rules under the Land Improvement Loans Act:—

		Up to 31st March 1897.	Since 1st April 1897.
		Rs.	Rs.
Shahabad	...	1,950	6,625
Saran	...	9,950	2,178
Champaran	...	...	2,155
Muzaffarpur	...	3,100	2,067
Darbhanga	...	1,412	3,900
Total	...	16,414	16,925

Out of the five lakhs sanctioned by the Government of India for ordinary loans under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts during the current financial year, three lakhs have been allotted to the Patna Division. The greater part of this amount will be given out in loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act for the purchase of seed and cattle, but the funds provided by Government will not be sufficient to meet requirements. The Commissioner has asked for a further grant of thirteen lakhs. The Collector of Champaran writes that the question of the supply of seed for the autumn crops and winter rice is now of pressing importance, and the Lieutenant-Governor has no doubt that there is need of similar help in other districts also. The Executive Committee of the Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund have allotted Rs. 8,00,000 to the Patna Division, out of which a portion will be devoted to loans or gifts for purchase of seed.

12. *Food-stocks, importation of grain, and prices.*—The following table shows the imports and exports since the second half of November in all districts of the Patna Division, including Patna and Gaya, as far as this Government is aware:—

Half month ending—	Imports.	Exports.
	Mds.	Mds.
28th November 1896	... 1,55,757	1,93,596
12th December "	... 1,16,316	2,26,189
26th ditto "	... 1,76,725	1,48,550
9th January 1897	... 3,03,426	1,96,409
30th ditto "	... 4,68,288	1,96,617
13th February "	... 2,89,425	1,07,564
27th ditto "	... 2,62,344	76,892
13th March "	... 2,77,227	83,640
27th do. "	... 3,47,503	75,003
10th April "	... 4,20,044	95,701
1st May "	... 6,57,050	1,56,505
Total	... 34,74,105	15,56,666

During the five weeks under report the total quantity imported was 10,77,094 maunds, and the quantity exported was 2,52,206 maunds, against 6,24,730 maunds imported and 1,58,643 maunds exported in March. From the middle of November up to 1st May the total net excess of imports over exports is 19,17,439 maunds, or about 70,442 tons. A great part of the imports consists of Burma rice. No deficiency of food-supplies has been reported from any of the affected tracts; but it is apprehended that in the Rhotas Plateau in the district of Shahabad, where there are no grain stocks and population is sparse

and villages are scattered in the jungle, it will be very difficult for petty traders to import grain into the tract, specially during the rains, and the Lieutenant-Governor has authorised the grant of loans to grain-dealers, as in Palamau, up to a limit of Rs. 10,000. Prices have a tendency to rise slowly. In the outlying tracts in the district of Champaran prices are very high, the price of common rice being $7\frac{1}{2}$ to $7\frac{3}{4}$ seers in thana Hardih and $8\frac{3}{4}$ seers in Bagaha, but the people are said to be living commonly on cheaper grains, such as barley and gram.

13. *Cost.*—The figures given in columns 8 and 9 of Famine Statement B have not in all cases been correctly reported by the District Officers. Their attention will be drawn to this with a view to correct figures being furnished in future. The Commissioner states the total cost from the beginning of the operations to the end of April to have been as follows:—

	Rs.
Relief works	19,80,387
Gratuitous relief	7,38,466
Establishment, tools and plant, &c. ...	52,231
Total	27,71,084

This includes Rs. 4,117 on account of the district of Patna. Of the total amount Rs. 17,10,920 were spent in 1896-97, and the remainder, Rs. 10,60,164, has been spent in the current financial year.

14. *Chota Nagpur Division.*—Of the districts in the Chota Nagpur Division, the position remained unchanged in Singhbhum, except that continued exportations had raised the price of rice, especially in the neighbourhood of the railway, where it was selling at less than 8 seers per rupee during the latter end of April. There were no visible signs of acute distress in any part of Lohardaga. The *mahu* has been gathered, and is reported to be a 10 to 12 anna crop all round. There have recently been frequent showers of rain, enabling cultivators to sow rice in many places. Food-stocks are reported to be sufficient, but there is a marked increase of crime, and during the latter half of the month there were several cases of dacoity, a crime almost unknown in this district, and more than one case occurred of granaries being broken into by gangs of villagers. A road was taken in hand as a test-work at a piece-work rate of Re. 1-9 per 1,000 cubic feet; on the 24th April the number of male units at work on it was 996. Arrangements are being made to open other test-works. A kitchen has been opened at Ranchi by the local Relief Committee. Public health and the condition of cattle continued good.

The condition of the district of Palamau, the whole of which continued to be affected, is reported to have become worse. During the first half of the month there was 1.14 inches of rain, but none fell in the second half. The *rabi* has been harvested and the *mahu* flower gathered. The Deputy Commissioner thinks that the yield of neither crop exceeds 6 annas. Prices have risen higher than in any other district. At the date of the report rice was selling at three markets at between 5 and 6 seers for a rupee, and the lowest price recorded is a little over 9 seers per rupee, the average being 7 seers 7 chitaks per rupee. Having regard to the constricted state of the markets, the period for the payment of a bounty of 8 annas per maund of imported rice, which was previously sanctioned up to the 30th April 1897, has been extended for such time as the roads may remain open, subject to the limit of Rs. 25,000 in all. On the recommendation of the Commissioner and the local officers, the Lieutenant-Governor has also taken advantage of the general authority conveyed in the Government of India's letter No. ^{298F.} 45-237 dated the 20th January 1897, to sanction the grant of loans to respectable grain-dealers of Palamau up to an aggregate amount of Rs. 75,000, for the purchase and importation of grain, the loans to be repaid, before the 31st March 1898, with interest at $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. per annum. The total quantity of rice imported up to the end of the period under report, on which the bounty of 8 annas per maund has been paid, is 5,046 maunds, and the total amount lent to grain-dealers is Rs. 24,500. The Commissioner has been asked to report whether, in view of the abnormally high prices prevailing in parts of this district, he thinks any further action on the part of Government is required in order to stimulate trade or replenish local stocks.

Notwithstanding the exceptionally high prices, the numbers employed on the Government relief works have decreased. There were altogether 18 relief works open in April against 13 in March, but the total number employed on the 24th April was 2,665, against 3,181, the corresponding number for March. The number rose to 3,119 on the 8th May, as stated in the weekly weather and crop telegram. The Deputy Commissioner considers the comparatively small numbers of Government works to be due to the following causes:—

- (1) The Maharaj Kumar of Chota Nagpur has opened relief works in pargana Tori, and pays wages higher than those given on the Government works; two of the latter have in consequence come to a standstill.
- (2) There was a strike among the relief-workers on roads owing to the reduction of the rate per 1,000 cubic feet from Rs. 2-3 to Rs. 2 for hard soil, Re. 1-11 for medium soil, and Re. 1-5 for soft soil. The *mahua* crop enabled the relief-workers to hold off for a time, and it is stated by the Deputy Commissioner that they are now coming back.
- (3) A number of persons found employment in gathering the *Bysakh* (April—May) lac crop.

A considerable portion of the distressed population have found employment on private relief works. The Deputy Commissioner reports that 3,593 persons were being relieved on 26 of these works, and that eight other works existed for which he had not received returns. The total number on gratuitous relief was small, being 1,672 against 1,524 at the end of March. Public health continued to be good. There was some foot-and-mouth disease among cattle. Advances for village works under the modified rules sanctioned by the Government of India appear to have been more freely taken in this than in many other districts. The total amount advanced during 1896-97 is reported to be Rs. 11,000, and during the current year Rs. 5,833.

The price of rice in Manbhum ranged from about eight to ten seers. Exports decreased and imports increased during the month. The total imports by rail during the period under report amounted to 20,438 maunds, while the quantity exported was only 1,977 maunds. The total area affected is now reported to be 3,373 square miles with a population of 991,000 persons, comprising the whole of the district except thanas Manbazar and Burrabazar. The seriously affected thanas are Gobindpur, Tundi, Nirsha and Topchanchi. The number of relief works open was 11, on which 3,484 persons were employed on the 24th April, against 3,459, the corresponding figure for March, and the total number on gratuitous relief was 4,861 against 4,118 at the end of the previous month. It is reported that considerable numbers of labourers are employed on village works undertaken with advances given by Government. At the close of the period under report arrangements were being made to open three kitchens on the Grand Trunk Road, and to introduce the system of employing women on cotton-spinning which is in force in Hazaribagh. Cholera broke out in several thanas, but has abated.

There were thunder-storms in Hazaribagh in the beginning of the month, which did further damage to the *mahua* crop. During the latter half of the month, however, the weather was favourable, and the Deputy Commissioner estimates the outturn of this crop at over 9 annas for the whole district. There has been a further rise in prices; that of rice varied from 6 to 10 seers, notwithstanding that 40,784 maunds of food-grains were imported during the period under report. The Deputy Commissioner apprehends a failure in the general food-supply of the district before the next *bhadoi* harvest comes to the market, and thinks that assistance from Government in the shape of advances to stimulate trade will possibly be needed. There were altogether 35 test-works open in this district at a piece-work rate of Re. 1-9 per 1,000 cubic feet; the average daily number employed on them was 1,678 in the last week of the period under report, against 2,618 at the close of March. This falling off is attributed by the local officers to the gathering of the *mahua* flower and to the opening of private works. Nineteen kitchens were open, the total number relieved in them being 1,006. A considerable amount of relief is also given in the form of cotton

spinning and weaving, and as many as 689 persons received cotton in the town of Hazaribagh during the last week of the period under report. Public health and the condition of cattle were generally good.

15. *Presidency Division.*—The marginal table shows the rainfall in the several districts in the Presidency Division. The rain has improved agricultural prospects, but there is in the distressed districts considerable difficulty in procuring seed. In the 24-Parganas there is no scarcity. The district of Jessore is only slightly affected, and it has not been found necessary to open relief works there, though some gratuitous relief is being given, together with loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and gifts from charitable relief funds to the poorer cultivators who are in difficulties for seed-grain.

		Inches.
24-PARGANAS	Sadar	54
	Barasat	3.06
	Basirhat	3.30
	Diamond Harbour	1.94
JESSORE	Sadar	1.73
	Jhenida	3.07
	Magura	3.03
	Narail	1.42
NADIA	Bangaon	3.21
	Krishnagar	3.65
	Kushtia	1.82
	Meherpur	3.15
KHULNA	Chudanga	1.82
	Kanighat	4.16
	Sadar	1.50
	Bagirhat	3.43
MURSHIDABAD	Satkhira	2.02
	Sadar	9
	Kandi	1.08
	Jangipur	3.58

The three worst districts in this Division are Nadia, Khulna and Murshidabad. During the month under report Mr. Finucane, Revenue Secretary to this Government, paid a visit to the affected tracts in these districts, and found that there was acute distress amongst a great part of the population, and that the local officers were efficiently carrying out the requisite measures of relief. In thanas Assasuni and Kaliganj, the worst tracts in the district of Khulna, he noticed specially that among the relief workers there were many usually well-to-do cultivators, who had been driven by distress to work as labourers. He also found that the supply of good drinking water was failing, and on his recommendation the Lieutenant-Governor has decided that in these three districts the relief measures should, during the financial year 1897-98, be conducted entirely at the expense of Government, the limited resources of the District Boards being mainly devoted to the improvement of the water-supply.

Food-stocks throughout the district of Nadia are reported to be very low, and during the latter half of the month there was a sudden cessation in the importation of rice from Nadia. Burdwan and Murshidabad, the grain-dealers in those districts refusing to sell rice except to their regular customers. The Collector has caused supplies to be imported from Calcutta, and has arranged with a contractor for weekly consignments to be sent to the tract in question, and has induced two residents of the locality to import rice for sale at their own risk. The price of common rice has risen to 8 seers for a rupee, and although the area and population affected, and the number of relief works (14) remained the same as in March, the numbers on relief increased considerably. The total number in receipt of gratuitous relief, which was 32,763 at the close of the period under report, is very large in comparison with the number (18,051) employed on relief works. Women in this and other districts of Lower Bengal will not work on rods or tanks, and therefore have to be employed in husking rice or spinning thread, and to be entered on the gratuitous relief lists, but allowing for this, the numbers are still very large, and the Collector's attention is being given to the possibility of reducing them. The condition of cattle was good, and as regards public health, the Collector writes that he sees no reason to believe that the famine has so far caused any marked increase in mortality. The total amount advanced for village works in this district during the past financial year was Rs. 17,600, and Rs. 6,850 have been advanced under the same head during the current year. The Collector has also sent Rs. 4,000 from the Charitable Relief Fund to be distributed in advances for seed-grain in the Kalantar tract (comprising thanas Kaliganj, Nakashipara and Tehatta), where considerable difficulty is reported to exist about seed. The Collector writes that without this help the lands of indigent cultivators would remain fallow.

The area and population affected in Khulna remained the same, but distress had become more acute, especially among the high-caste poor. To meet the difficulty which the Collector reports is being experienced in procuring seed-grain, steps were taken to give loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and gifts from the Famine Charitable Fund. The price of rice rose from 10 to 9

seers per rupee, and the distressed tract continued to depend entirely on importations from elsewhere. There were 31 relief works open against 16 in March; 22 of the former were tanks and the rest roads and embankments. The total number employed on the relief works at the end of the period under report was 3,764 against 2,669 in March, while the number on gratuitous relief was 5,360 against 4,090, the corresponding figure for the previous month, but a large proportion of these twist jute or husk paddy in return for the relief given, and can hardly be said to be on gratuitous relief pure and simple. Having regard to the fact that women are debarred by social custom from working publicly on relief works, Mr. Finucane, after his inspection of the distressed area in Khulna, recommended the introduction of a system of payment by results at such a rate as would leave to the labourers a margin for the support of their dependents at home. The Lieutenant-Governor accepted this recommendation, and sanction was accorded to the introduction of the piece-work system. This system has not been well started before the date of the last district report. Several private works and a large number of works undertaken with loans given by Government were in progress and continued to afford employment to a considerable number of labourers. Cholera continued to rage during the period under report, but was checked to some extent by the heavy rain. Two doctors were at work in the affected tract, and, in addition to this, cholera medicines have been freely distributed at thanas and post-offices. The total amount granted as loans for village works during the current year up to the close of the period under report is stated to be Rs. 8,950.

The operations in the district of Murshidabad have now passed beyond the test work stage. The total area reported to be distressed is 167 square miles comprising portions of thanas Burwa, Noada, Gorabazar, Gokarna, Bharatpur, Goas, Jalangi, Hariharpara and Daulatbazar, with a total population of 95,000. The general condition of the affected tract has not undergone any material change except that a considerable portion of the *aus* (autumn paddy) growing land has already been sown and that *boro* (spring) paddy, which has been grown on about 8,000 bighas, is nearly ripe and promises a bumper crop. The prices of food-grains have, however risen, the price of rice being 8 to 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ seers for a rupee, and distress is reported to be increasing. Four relief works and two test works were open, and the total number employed on the 3rd May was 3,517. It is reported that 4,000 persons found employment on tanks undertaken by private individuals. A small number was relieved gratuitously, and steps have been taken to employ artisans and women in weaving, spinning, husking paddy, &c. Large numbers are relieved by doles distributed by Maharani Sarnamayi and other wealthy landholders of the district. Cholera has broken out throughout the district. Rupees 1,473 have been given out as advances for village works, and Rs. 6,76 as loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act.

16. *Bhagalpur Division*.—Prices continued to rise slowly throughout the Division, but actual distress requiring relief measures on a considerable scale was still confined to the districts of Bhagalpur and the Sonthal Parganas. Burma rice began to be sold during the month in the Sonthal Parganas as well as in other districts of the Division.

During the latter half of the month heavy rain fell throughout the district of Bhagalpur, the recorded fall for the whole period under report being as noted on the margin. The rain was very beneficial to sugarcane and *mung*, and generally brightened the prospects of the next *bhadoi* crops, but there has been no immediate improvement. Prices have gone up, the price of com-

Bhagalpur.			Inches.
Sadar	...	...	1.00
Banka	...	...	1.93
Madhipura	...	...	3.04
Supaul	...	...	1.91

mon rice being 8 seers per rupee in Madhipura and 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ seers in Supaul, and the poorer classes are reported to be coming to the end of their slender stocks, with the result that the number of persons requiring relief is increasing. The more seriously affected parts of the district continued to be the Bongong thana of the Madhipura subdivision and about 300 square miles in the Supaul subdivision. A test work has been opened in the Colgong thana of the Sadar subdivision, but has not yet attracted any considerable numbers. In the Katuraia thana of the Banka subdivision there has been no material change, but it is believed that relief works will be necessary in this tract during the current month. The

outturn of the *mahua* crop in this subdivision is estimated at ten annas. Up to the date of the report the only form of relief found necessary here was gratuitous relief to beggars and to the very poor out of the Charitable Relief Fund. There were eleven relief works open in North Bhagalpur against nine in the latter half of March, and the number of relief-workers at the close of the period under report was 18,965 against 9,819, the corresponding figure for that month. There were also several private works open, but precise information regarding them has not been furnished. There was practically no increase in the numbers on Government gratuitous relief, the number at the end of the period being 3,413 against 3,394 in March, but relief from the funds of the Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund was being given over large areas throughout the district, and gratuitous relief was also being regularly given by certain zamindars in North Bhagalpur. The public health was satisfactory, and the condition of cattle good.

The area of actual distress in the Sonthal Parganas was, as before, 367 square miles in the Jamtara subdivision. The outturn of the *mahua*, which is an important food crop throughout the district, is reported to have been better than was anticipated, and is now estimated at 10 annas. There was about an inch and a half of rain, which has benefited the sugarcane and has improved the pasturage and water-supply for cattle. Five relief works were open against four in the latter half of March, and the number employed was 2,064 against 2,313 at the close of that month; but several tanks were under construction by private individuals, which gave employment to a large number of labourers. The number in receipt of gratuitous relief increased from 235 at the end of March to 1,046 at the close of the period under report. Public health was generally good. Advances for village works given during the period under report amounted to Rs. 1,250.

As regards other parts of the district, the rain has improved future prospects, but the condition of the Deoghur subdivision is reported to have become slightly worse in consequence of the rise in prices. Arrangements have been made to open test-works wherever they may be required.

17. *Rajshahi Division*.—The only districts in the Rajshahi Division with regard to which anxiety is felt are Rajshahi and Pabna. Two test-works were open in each district, besides several tanks undertaken by private individuals. At the close of the first half of the month the total numbers on the Government works, as given in the weekly weather and crop reports, were 1,463 in Rajshahi and 664 in Pabna. Copious rain has since fallen, which has been very beneficial to the *boro* or spring rice, and has drawn off labourers for field operations for the next *bhadoi* and *aman* crops, the prospects of which have been improved by the rainfall. The telegraphic report for the week ending 3rd May shows that the numbers on the test works were 781 in Rajshahi and 492 in Pabna. Prices are, however, very high. The Collector of Rajshahi writes that the price of rice at several markets varied from $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 seers per rupee, while in Pabna it went up to 7 seers, but after the rain in the second half of the month came down to $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee. It is apprehended that some distress will continue to exist until the next *bhadoi* harvest comes to the market. Public health and the condition of cattle were generally good.

18. *Orissa Division*.—Of the districts in the Orissa Division, there is at present no sign of distress in Angul and Balasore. In the district of Cuttack an area of 1,477 square miles with a population of 649,000 is under observation. But as yet no general distress has appeared in any part of this area. At present there is only one small relief circle of 33 square miles consisting of pargana Kuhunda-Jaipur in the Sadar subdivision and portions of two parganas in the Jajpur subdivision. No relief or test-work has been opened, but arrangements have been made to give gratuitous relief out of the Charitable Relief Fund. Labourers find employment on private works and ordinary works undertaken by the District Board and on the railway, which is reported to have been of immense service. The recent falls of rain have been of great benefit here as elsewhere, and the Commissioner sees no occasion to take a gloomy view of the condition of this district at present. The stocks of food-grains in the tract above mentioned are, however, reported to be small, and the local officers apprehend that when the rains set in and the rivers rise steps will have to be taken to

stimulate the importation of grain into the tract, because the people will not have the means to obtain their own supplies from a distance. Public health was fair and the condition of cattle good.

The affected area on the Chilka Lake in the district of Puri is now reported to be 231 square miles with a population of 74,000, of which 8 per cent., or 5,920, may, in the opinion of the local officers, be said to be actually distressed. An additional area of 76 square miles, with a population of 26,000, is reported to be affected in the Khurda subdivision, but this Government is not now in possession of full particulars regarding this tract. In the Chilka Lake tract the supplies of food were found to be failing. The Lieutenant-Governor, at the instance of the local officers, has authorised the grant of advances to grain-dealers, as in Palamau. It is reported that the measure has been so far successful that there is now no want of food-grains in the tract. The total rainfall during the period under report was 3.22 inches in the Sadar subdivision and 3.25 inches in Khurda. There were fifteen relief works and five test works open, and the total number employed on them on the 24th April was 2,874, as given in the weekly telegraphic report, against 4,204 at the close of March. Besides these there was a road under construction by the District Board, which employed an average of about 850 persons daily during the latter half of April, and about 1,500 men found employment in two salt factories. The number on gratuitous relief on the 24th April was 193 against 75 in March. Public health and the condition of cattle continued to be generally satisfactory.

19. There is nothing of importance to report with regard to the Burdwan, Dacca and Chittagong Divisions.

20. Since the close of the period under report, a Resolution No. 181 ^{T. R.} _{Esam.}

Chota Nagpur	} whole Division.
Bhagalpur	...	...	...	...	...
Rajshahi	...	...	...	...	...
Orissa	...	...	...	...	...
Samastipur subdivision of Darbhanga, and Trebeni and Bhagmati canals, and the Sakri-Jainagar, Bettiah, Bagaha and Raksaul-Ramnagar Railway lines, and on other major works at the Commissioner's discretion	} in the Patna Division.
and at the Commissioner's discretion in the Bhabhna subdivision of Shahabad, and the district of Saran	...	...	...	...	...
In the Khulna and Murshidabad districts, and at the Commissioner's discretion in the Nadia district	} in the Presidency Division.

dated the 6th May, has been issued, sanctioning the introduction of the system of piece-work or payment by results, in the Divisions and local areas noted on the margin. A copy of the Resolution has been submitted to the Government of India with

my letter No. 183 ^{T. R.} _F, of the same date.

Monthly Famine Statement A for the four weeks ending Saturday evening, the 24th April 1897.

DISTRICT.	Area.	Population in thousands.	Affected area.	Estimated population in thousands of area in column 4.	NUMBERS ON RELIEF WORKS ON LAST DAY OF MONTH.					Numbers on gratuitous relief.	PRICE OF ONE OR MORE PRINCIPAL FOOD-GRAINS IN SEERS PER RUPEE.							MONTHLY DEATH-RATE—		Deaths due to starvation.
					Class A.	Class B.	Class C.	Class D.	Total.		Common rice.	Pea.	Marsa.	Makai.	Kutthi.	In the district.	In the affected area.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
PATNA DIVISION. {Shahabad Saran Champan Buzardpur Darbhanga Total for the Division	Sq. miles.	2,063	1,632	382	71	8,948	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		4,573	1,512	1,416	71	22,547	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		2,556	2,533	1,554	71	40,039	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		3,531	2,533	1,554	71	33,471	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		3,335	2,940	2,234	71	127,673	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION. {Balasore Manbhum Total for the Division	Sq. miles.	11,892	10,528	7,245	71	244,357	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		4,912	4,912	596	71	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		4,147	3,373	591	71	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		9,959	8,256	1,537	71	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		2,793	927.75	478	71	13,229	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
PRESIDENCY DIVISION. {Nadia Khulna Murshidabad Total for the Division	Sq. miles.	1,644	927.75	478	71	3,716	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		2,977	442	252	71	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		2,144	167	95	71	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		7,714	1,536.75	835	71	16,945	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		4,226	500	325	71	1,996	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
BHAGALPUR DIVISION. {Bhagalpur Sonthal ganasa, Total for the Division	Sq. miles.	1,754	367	93	71	2,064	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		5,470	367	93	71	2,064	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		9,696	867	418	71	4,660	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		2,473	307	100	71	2,224	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		45,141	21,525.75	10,186	71	270,151	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
ORISSA DIVISION. {Puri Total for the Division	Sq. miles.	2,473	307	100	71	2,224	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
		45,141	21,525.75	10,186	71	270,151	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065	2,065		
GRAND TOTAL		22,403	21,525.75	10,186	16,994	270,151	48	31,809	337,351	336,631										

The figures for the districts of the Patna Division relate to the five weeks ending 1st May 1897.
* This includes 10,748 labourers employed on daily wages irrespective of task work, who have not been classified in columns 7 and 9.

Monthly Famine Statement B for the four weeks ending Saturday evening, the 24th April 1897.

DISTRICT.	Maximum number for whom employment on relief works is estimated to be required in case of serious famine.	NUMBER FOR WHOM RELIEF WAS PROVIDED IN LAST PROGRAMME OF RELIEF WORKS.		NUMBER FOR WHOM RELIEF CAN BE PROVIDED BY WORKS REMAINING ON PROGRAMME ON DATE OF REPORT.		EXPENDITURE SINCE 1ST APRIL 1897.			ADVANCES SINCE 1ST APRIL 1897 UP TO END OF MONTH UNDER—		
		On large works.	On small works.	On large works.	On small works.	Date up to which account is made up.	On relief works.	On gratuitous relief.	Land Improvement Loans Act.	Agriculturists' Loans Act.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
PATNA DIVISION...	{ Shahabad ...	12,000	10,249	3,862	6,524	2,922	1st May	Rs. 21,411	Rs. 34,138	Rs. 5,635	Rs. 3,728
	{ Saran ...	75,600	42,891	7,677	36,998	791	Do.	80,820	91,971	16,381	5,554
	{ Champaran ...	210,000	205,506	87,700	180,000	75,000	Do.	2,03,531	1,03,232	2,292	10,963
	{ Muzaffarpur ...	300,000	79,966	95,919	75,496	84,646	Do.	1,10,406	72,263	2,067	878
	{ Darbhanga ...	351,964	138,478	213,486	88,036	158,457		Figures not correctly furnished.			
	Total for the Division ...	949,564	477,024	408,644	387,054	321,816	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,823
CHOTA NAGPUR DIVISION.	{ Palamanu ...	87,372	18,792	68,580	18,792	66,415	24th April	8,625	2,005	5,533	NIL.
	{ Manbhum ...	120,000	52,379	69,325	52,379	69,325	Ditto.	3,536	2,923	325	176
	Total for the Division ...	207,372	71,171	137,905	71,171	135,740	.....	12,161	5,528	6,158	176
PRESIDENCY DIVISION.	{ Nadia ...	38,289	9,605	11,445	9,605	11,445	24th April	1,07,704	43,720	7,550	8,410
	{ Khulna ...	10,480	.....	6,525	.....	4,915	Accounts not yet made up.			8,950	NIL.
	{ Murshidabad ...	51,806	17,440	36,792	17,088	36,474	Figures not correctly furnished.			7,473	6,706
	Total for the Division ...	100,575	27,045	54,762	26,693	51,834	.....	.....	.....	23,973	15,116
BHAGALPUR DIVISION.	{ Bhagalpur ...	30,475	Tanks are selected wherever required. There is no difficulty in obtaining sites.				Accounts for current year not yet made up.			1,200	7,708
	{ Sonthal Parganas ...	40,408	2,845	46,755	2,845	44,691	23rd April 1897.	1,790	212	1,250	.....
	Total for the Division ...	70,883	2,845	46,755	2,845	44,691	.....	.....	.....	2,450	7,706
ORISSA DIVISION ...	Puri ...	6,000	.....	6,000	.....	5,000	24th April	21,963	162	1,000	51
GRAND TOTAL ...		1,334,484	578,085	654,066	487,763	539,081	.....	.....	.....	.....	44,311

The figures for the districts of the Patna Division relate to the five weeks ending 1st May 1897.
Columns 3-5—Champaran.—The figures include 75 miles of the proposed railway from Bairagnia to Bagaha, which would give employment to about 14,120 persons three months.

No. 1158F.G., dated Bankipore, the 11th May 1897.

From—J. A. BOURDILLON, Esq., Offg. Commissioner of the Patna Division,
To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Revenue Department.

I HAVE the honour to submit herewith my famine report under sections 13 and 24 of the Famine Code for the second-half of April. The figures in the statements refer to the three weeks ending 17th and 24th April and the 1st May. I regret that the report is so late, but the figures to be collected were those for three weeks instead of a fortnight involving much extra labour both in the local offices and in mine. The report for the Darbhanga district, in which both the numbers relieved and the number of works open are larger than anywhere else, was not received in my office till midday on the 12th owing to the misbehaviour of the messenger.

PART I.—INTRODUCTION.

2. Since the date of my last report I have made two short tours in the Division.

3. On the evening of the 21st April I met at Bankipore the Hon'ble Mr. James, Vice-President of the Executive Committee of the Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund, and accompanied him to Motihari. After spending the 22nd at Motihari, we travelled by night to Muzaffarpur, and after passing the forenoon of the 23rd there proceeded to Darbhanga, arriving in the evening. On the afternoon of the 24th Mr. James went on to Calcutta, and I returned to Bankipore. During this tour we discussed at great length with the three Collectors the condition of their districts and the proposals for the expenditure of the funds allotted by the Provincial Committee. We also interviewed at each place the members of the District and Sadar Local Committee, and discussed their plans with them. Mr. James was also shown the poor-houses, as well as our systems of task work and of gratuitous relief.

4. My next tour was in the Saran district. On the 29th April I went up to Chapra by the morning train, and spent that day and the next at Chapra, as it was essential that I should discuss with Messrs. Earle and Chapman together not only famine affairs, but also important matters connected with the Hutwa Estate and others. I inspected the Chapra poor-house, which is the best that I have yet seen for completeness and good management. Mr. Chapman, who has had charge of this work, deserves credit for it. On the evening of the 30th I proceeded with Mr. Knyvett, District Superintendent of Police, to Siwan where I spent the night, and saw Messrs. Tytler and Lyall. On the morning of the 1st May I drove to Hutwa, where there were many matters to be discussed with the manager and his assistants; here I was met by Messrs. Gauntlett and Garrett. In the evening, after an interview with the Maharani, I drove to Gopalganj with Mr. Chapman, Officiating Collector, who had joined me at Hutwa in the afternoon. On the 2nd May I drove with Messrs. Chapman and Lister (Subdivisional Officer of Gopalganj) to Jhajwa (18 miles), where we met Mr. Lang (Charge Superintendent), Mr. Pridham (R.E.), Assistant Engineer, and Messrs. Vipan and Berrill, local planters. As it was Sunday, there were no workers visible; but we examined two large works on the way. In the afternoon we drove on to Bangshat Factory (7 miles), where we found Messrs. Toogood and Maconchy. On the 3rd May Mr. Chapman and I drove to Rajaputty Factory (7 miles), where I had some conversation with Mr. Mackenzie, the Manager, and then rode about 7 miles (there and back) to the Jagdispur tank, where we were met by Messrs. Toogood and Maconchy again. The people on this tank, which is under Public Works Department agency, were on strike, because the task had been raised under my orders: they were in excellent condition, and fully capable of doing the task. We next drove to Bahrowlie Factory, (8 miles) where we were entertained by Mr. Filgate, the Manager, who has been of great assistance to the Collector in many ways. From Bahrowlie we drove through Mashrak to Chapra, 26 miles—arriving at dark. On the 4th May I returned to Bankipore.

5. My observations on this tour fully supported Mr. Earle's differentiation of the distressed portions of his district. East Gopalganj and the north-eastern corner of the Sadar subdivision are certainly the worst parts of the district that I have yet seen, and undoubtedly require help, but I doubt

whether the distress is so acute as Mr. Earle thinks, and the attitude of the people towards relief works shows that they still have some resources: here, as elsewhere, there is a small percentage who are in very acute distress from high prices and the failure of crops. The prospects of the crops in the country all along the road from Mashrak to Chapra were very good, but this is admittedly one of the best parts of the district.

PART II.—DISTRICT REPORTS.

6. *Patna*.—The brief statement that “all’s well” is almost sufficient for a report of this district during the past three weeks. Crop prospects are excellent. Prices are fairly steady with a slight tendency to rise, especially in the case of common rice. Cultivators are said to be holding on to their *rabi* everywhere.

7. Food-grain traffic is as brisk as ever. The imports during the three weeks under review aggregated 1,16,890 maunds, while the exports were 70,114 maunds, leaving a balance of 46,776 maunds in favour of the district. At the end of the previous fortnight the balance in favour of imports was only 17,231 maunds. Out of these imports, 85,141 maunds were rice, and 12,440 maunds wheat, the latter mostly from the westward.

8. The Collector has been trying to carry out his ordinary repairs to District Board roads this year by a system of direct payments, but finds that the labourers are well enough off to be able to refuse $2\frac{1}{2}$ and even 3 annas a day. Nothing could be more eloquent of the good condition of the people in this district.

9. The Bankipore poor-house contained on an average 111 persons a day during the last three weeks.

10. *Gaya*.—There is no change in the prosperous condition of this district. The *china* crop, which ripens here earlier than to the north of the Ganges, is nearly harvested, and this will add to the already ample food stocks in hand. The *mahua*, which is an important crop in this district, especially in the south, has been better than it was last year.

11. Prices show a tendency to harden, but the difference is very slight. Burma rice is selling everywhere a little cheaper than country rice.

12. Imports for the three weeks were 22,691 maunds against 11,244 maunds, and exports 977 maunds as against 1,177 maunds, so that for this longer period the balance in favour of the district was 21,911 maunds as against 10,067 maunds in the preceding fortnight. It is probable that much of the imports which were chiefly rice (17,630 maunds) were intended for re-exportation to Palamau, as 2,232 maunds of that grain went southward.

13. A considerable number of persons were fed at the kitchens along the Grand Trunk Road, the average daily numbers being as follows: Barachatti 36, Kusa 98, Madanpur 86, Aurangabad 133. A relief kitchen at Nawada had an average daily attendance of 38, and that at Badhaul, kept by a local Mahant, gave cooked food to 66 and grain doles to 82 persons a day on the average.

14. *Shahabad*.—From this district also the reports show that matters are progressing satisfactorily, although the Collector has had to extend his affected area by including the Rohtas plateau and the Akbarpur tract along the Sone. The total area affected has been carefully recalculated, and including the two tracts just named, it amounts to 1,632 square miles with a population of 381,296 persons.

15. The public health in the district is good, although in the Bhabhua subdivision the death-rate for March was somewhat higher than usual; but Mr. Windsor in his 12th and 13th paragraphs has shown that this was almost entirely due to small-pox, which also caused many deaths in February.

16. Prices remain practically stationary; and this fact, coupled with the large exports to be noticed below, seems to show that stocks are plentiful in the district as a whole. At Bhabhua while rice and peas remain the same, wheat is half-a-seer cheaper and *rahar* a seer dearer than it was three weeks ago.

17. There has been a further development of exports in the period under report. Imports by rail were 26,368 maunds against 28,777 maunds, and exports 26,998 maunds against 28,407 maunds, so that the result was a net loss to the district of 30,630 maunds instead of a small gain of 370 maunds. The imports

consisted mostly of rice, and the exports were *rabi* cereals and pulses. The arrangements for getting information from Zamania and the river side ghats are now completed.

18. The following statement, as usual, gives the figures for relief works and gratuitous relief:—

SHAHABAD.

Week ending.	Number of works open.	AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF MALE UNITS ON—				Average daily outturn per male unit.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.
		Task work.	Daily wage, irrespective of task.	Gratuitous relief, including dependants.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd April 1897	7	7,196	516	16,311	24,023	C. ft. 39	Rs. A. P. 2 13 2
10th " " ...	7	6,418	619	17,899	24,936	35	2 14 1
17th " " ...	7	7,297	809	18,390	26,596	36	2 12 1
24th " " ...	7	5,174	855	19,319	25,348	39	2 7 2
1st May " ...	7	4,196	668	18,596	23,460	39	2 3 7

The number of works open remained the same, for though two have been closed, the Hata-Bhabhua road because it was finished, and the Hata-Durgaoti road because it was near the Railway works, two others have been opened, viz., the Bhabhua-Rajghat and Bhabhua-Jahanabad roads. A tank is also being excavated at the expense of the Sabar Ward.

19. The daily average number on task work shows a steady diminution, due partly to the reduction of the wage caused by an alteration of the grain basis from rice at $8\frac{1}{2}$ seers to a mixture of peas and rice at $9\frac{1}{2}$ seers. It is also partly due to the closing of the two roads mentioned above, which has not yet been followed by a corresponding increase in the numbers on the two new roads, and the railway: there is also some private work which attracts labour. The increased railway rate of Rs. 2-8 per 1,000 cubic feet is beginning to attract rather larger numbers, the daily average of persons on the railway in the three weeks under review having been 6,702, 9,236 and 10,231.

20. The numbers on daily wage irrespective of task show some increase as compared with the figures for previous periods, and are now 14.61 per cent. of those on task work, whereas in the previous fortnight they were only 8.63. The reason is that under recent orders those who receive the Sunday wage are entered in this category, and not among the task workers.

21. The outturn of work and cost rate remain good, considering the hardness of the soil. The Collector has just made a tour in Bhabhua, visiting all the relief works, and he was on the whole satisfied with what he saw. The individual digger system is in force in this district, and as it is working well and can be maintained, because the numbers are small, I have decided not to interfere with it, or to insist on the pit-gang system being introduced. The results are good enough to justify non-interference.

22. Gratuitous relief is still very large in this district. Since the date of my last report I have been in correspondence with the Collector on the subject, and he urges strongly that the peculiar circumstances of the district, which have more than once been detailed before, justify the high figures. However a remark in the report now under review shows that the classification of labour in this district is not the same as that adopted elsewhere. Mr. Windsor says that all his labourers are B class, and that none of them are so weakly as to require to be set a special task. As it is certain that many such weakly persons must be in existence, and as the numbers on daily wage are too small to allow of their all being included in that category, the inference is irresistible that many of those who are now in the receipt of gratuitous relief ought to be working as D class labourers. On the other hand, the Collector reports that he has carefully checked the gratuitous relief lists, and finds that they are satisfactory. The point will be further discussed with Mr. Windsor.

23. The poor-houses, along the Grand Trunk Road and elsewhere, continued to relieve a number of persons, the daily average for each of the three weeks having been 581, 610 and 701.

24. *Saran*.—The feature of the last three weeks in this district is a steady rise in the numbers on relief works and in those receiving gratuitous relief: in other respects there is not much to notice.

25. Rain fell here, as elsewhere, on the 21st and 28th. Much benefit to the pasture has occurred from these flying storms, as well as to the *china* and sugarcane.

26. Crop prospects are excellent. As already stated, I have during the past week made a short tour in *Saran*, and I was gratified, though not surprised, to find with what readiness and resource the raiyats have almost everywhere adapted themselves to the season. *Chours* and swamps usually abandoned to the village pig, the buffalo, and the cattle egret, are this year green with early rice and *janera*; almost every piece of land which it is possible to irrigate has a crop of *china*, which may be seen in every stage of growth, and vast stretches of land lie waiting for the *bhudo*i or the rice crop, all ready ploughed or dug up with the hoe. Mr. Tytler, Sub-Deputy Opium Agent of Siwan, estimates that 50,000 bighas in the north and west of the district have this year been sown with *china*, and it would probably not be too much to say that the district contains 100,000 acres of this useful grain, which, if well watered, yields 15 or 20 maunds an acre.

27. Having regard to these prospects and to the effect which the *rabi* crop has had on the condition of different parts of the district, the Collector has revised his areas of distress, and has reduced the area to 1,512 square miles with a population of 1,416,176 persons. He has submitted his monthly map coloured accordingly.

28. Prices show very little variation, and are if anything easier at Gopalganj than elsewhere.

29. Taking the statistics for rail, road and river together so far as they can be ascertained, the imports during the three weeks amounted to 162,652 maunds against 94,256 maunds in the previous fortnight, and the exports were 18,115 maunds against 9,761. The result is the large balance in favour of the district of 144,547 maunds, against 84,495 in the previous fortnight. Most of these imports were rice from Calcutta and the Burdwan Division, but there is a considerable importation of "other food-grains" from the neighbouring districts of the North-Western Provinces. The total rice imported aggregated 89,820 maunds, and wheat reached 20,163 maunds.

30. The accompanying statement gives the usual particulars as regards relief works and gratuitous relief:—

SARAN.

Week ending—	Number of works open.	AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF MALE UNITS ON—				Average daily outturn per male unit.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.
		Task work.	Daily wage, irrespective of task.	Gratuitous relief, including dependents.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1897.		A.—Under the Collector.				C. ft.	Rs. A. P.
3rd April	...	5,160	1,008	27,206	33,374	32.9	2 8 3
10th "	33	8,000	1,695	31,398	41,093	31.2	2 11 9
17th "	...	9,501	2,068	35,501	47,070	34.4	2 6 7
24th "	...	12,270	2,519	38,307	53,096	30.3	2 12 8
1st May	39	13,601	3,525	42,976	60,102	34.1	2 9 1
		B.—Hutwa Raj.					
3rd April	...	3,061	518	402	3,981	23	3 2 9
10th "	10	3,162	625	360	4,147	19	3 14 3
17th "	...	2,670	578	345	3,593	19	3 13 8
24th "	...	3,103	549	345	3,997	19.3	4 0 0
1st May	9	3,392	595	349	4,336	18.4	4 2 7

Six new works have been opened, and out of the total, 33 are under civil and 6 under Public Works Department agency.

31. Turning first to relief works, it will be seen that there has been a steady advance during each of the last three weeks in the numbers on works equivalent to 76·54 per cent. in all during that period, the increase being 70 per cent. in the case of task workers and 107·9 in that of those paid by daily wage irrespective of task. As the figures in Form 5 are still submitted in the old form, it is difficult to say where this increase has occurred, nor has the Collector said anything on this point.

32. The daily outturn of work is fair and the cost rate low. This is partly because the Collector takes, as his basis for the grain equivalent, barley at from 12 to 14 seers the rupee. The Public Works Department figures of outturn are better than those for Civil Agency works (see Form 7): first, because many of the Civil Agency works are tanks; and, secondly, because the chief Public Works Department work in the district is in extraordinarily light and easy land.

33. The pit system is now being introduced. Mr. Earle, the late Collector, hesitated to introduce it, partly because he had no forms and partly because he found that with his small numbers he could manage to measure up and pay for the work of each digger and his carriers, which is after all the ideally fair system. I found that there was much leniency in regard to classification of soils, but I am now glad to learn that my orders for the exaction of a task of 200 cubic feet are being introduced: it can be done with ease almost everywhere.

34. The numbers on gratuitous relief are again very large, and Mr. Chapman, who has just taken charge, is disposed to think that it has been somewhat overdone in some parts of the district. I have little doubt of the fact, and hope that by close scrutiny he will be able to keep the numbers down. It is significant that there are very few D class labourers, and (a fact which was brought to my notice when I was in the district) the number of children who are relieved as dependants is extremely large, especially on works under Public Works Department agency, where there were 21 children dependants gratuitously relieved to every 100 task workers of all sorts. I have instructed the local officers that they must scrutinise more carefully the claims of children to be classed as dependants, and I also ordered that, if the numbers still continued large, kitchens were to be opened for the children at all large works, and that they should be fed on the spot instead of receiving pice to take to their parents. I trust that these two changes in practice will have the desired effect. During the last week of the period the average daily number of adult units in receipt of gratuitous relief amounted to 70·14 per cent. of all the adult units relieved in every way.

35. The relief works under the Hutwa Raj again give results much below those on works under Government officials: the outturn per male unit was not much more than half that obtained on Government works, and the cost rate therefore is nearly twice as high. The Collector has called on the Manager to explain, and I trust that he will be able to improve the administration; it is true that many of the Raj works are tanks, but even if this point be conceded, there is no doubt that there is still room for more strictness and closer supervision.

36. The numbers in the poor-houses have begun to rise again, as the *rabi* harvest is over: in the four Hutwa institutions, the daily average was 409 against 231 in the previous period, and in the Government poor-houses it was 106 against 85.

37. The appended statement giving payment of money-orders month by month shows that the total receipts in April 1897 were only about half what they were in April 1896: the meaning obviously is that the emigrants are returning earlier than usual, for in 1896 the large drop occurred in May 1896: as times are hard and prices high all over the Province, it may well be that such large savings are not being brought back as usual; but, as I have already reported in a separate letter, more than 16 lakhs of rupees have been remitted to this district by small money orders between the 1st October 1896 and the 31st March 1897.

38. *Champaran*.—In this district the two principal features of the last three weeks' administration have been a steady decrease in the numbers on task work, and a somewhat disquieting rise in the prices of food-grain.

39. Public health continues good, and for April was relatively better than in March, the death-rate of the district being only 2·15 per mille, against an average for the past five years of 2·34. In Motihari, Madhubani and Adapur thanas the rate is slightly above the average; elsewhere it is below it, as details are not yet available. They will be discussed in Mr. Macpherson's next report.

40. Rain fell on the 20th April in scattered showers, very variable in quantity, Motihari receiving an inch and a third, and Bagaha little more than a quarter of an inch. The effect was everywhere beneficial except to the indigo in a few places.

41. To show the range of prices, the Collector has given as usual the prices of the common grains at Motihari and Bettiah for the last day of the past four weeks, and has supplemented the information by the remarks in paragraph 12 of his report. At Motihari common rice and barley are a quarter of a seer dearer than they were four weeks ago, and *rahar* is 7 chitaks dearer: on the other hand, wheat is $1\frac{1}{4}$ seers cheaper, and gram 7 chitaks cheaper than before: maize is stationary. At Bettiah all grain is cheaper than at Motihari, but a glance at the average for five years shows that this is practically a constant incident: at this mart common rice and maize are unaltered in price, but there is a rise of a seer in barley, and a quarter of a seer in wheat. On the other hand, grain is a seer cheaper, and *rahar* is cheaper by a seer and a half. In the bazars of Hardih thana common rice is sold between $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $7\frac{3}{4}$ seers, and in Bagaha it has risen from 9 to $8\frac{3}{4}$ seers; it is impossible that, at these rates, rice can be the common food of the people, and it is more likely that they are living on barley and gram. The Collector's latest weekly telegram states that the famine wage is based on maize at $9\frac{3}{4}$ seers.

42. Mr. Macpherson further states (paragraph 7) that the question of seed grain is now of pressing importance, and he will be asked at once to submit a special report on the subject. He has funds at his disposal for advances under the Agriculturists' Loans Act, and these can be freely used at once.

43. For the first time for many weeks there appears to be some check in the amount of grain imported by rail. The figures for the three weeks are 42,216 maunds imported and 671 maunds exported, against 71,854 imports and 246 maunds exports for the previous fortnight. The net result of the period is a balance in favour of the district of 41,545 maunds against 71,608 maunds for the fortnight previous. The imports to Bettiah also fell off considerably for some reason not explained. Most of the imports were rice and paddy as usual, viz., rice 28,014 maunds and paddy 12,719 maunds, of which almost all came from Howrah, viz., 26,657 maunds and 12,169 maunds respectively.

44. The following table gives as usual comparative statistics of relief works and gratuitous relief:—

CHAMPARAN.

Week ending—	Number of works open.	AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF MALE UNITS ON—				Average daily outturn per male unit.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet
		Task work.	Daily wages, irrespective of task.	Gratuitous relief, including dependants.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd April 1897	...	60,626	7,134	49,745	117,505	C. ft. 24·5	Rs. A. P. 3 14 11
10th " " ...	70	55,494	7,170	48,696	111,360	25·5	3 12 11
17th " " ...	70	52,143	10,850	49,378	112,371	30	3 4 1
24th " " ...	73	50,697	13,913	52,658	117,268	30	3 3 6
1st May " ...	81	43,891	12,271	54,067	110,219	33	2 13

The number of works has been increased again by the opening of three new Civil Agency works, and eight under Public Works Department Agency. The former now number 54 and the latter 27: of the eight new works under the Public Works Department, five are sections of the two big canals at Tribeni and Dhaka.

45. There has been a steady reduction in the number of task-workers (as a reference to my previous reports will show) since the week ending the 13th March, when the daily average was 92,654. Mr. Macpherson explains that it is partly spurious, since during the last three weeks those who receive the Sunday wage have for the first time been placed under those who receive the daily wage irrespective of task: it is also partly due to "the changes consequent on the closing of a number of works in North Bettiah, in order to transfer as much labour as possible on to the Tribeni canal." These explanations affect the last few weeks, while for the earlier weeks of the period, it was said that the *rabi* harvest attracted a good deal of labour. All these causes, however, seem to me hardly to account for the quantity and persistence of the decrease, and the Collector will be specially addressed on the subject.

46. The outturn of work is improving, and is better on Public Works Department works than on those under Civil Agency, as the latter include an immense proportion of tanks. In a circular now under issue, I am directing all officers in whose district the piece-work system has been sanctioned to show the results separately from those for task-work, and in a separate letter to Government, I have asked permission to amend Form 7 for this purpose.

47. The decrease in cost rate is partly due to the elimination from the calculation of the payments made on Sunday, but this should not have been done: it is fair enough in calculating the outturn to divide only by the numbers of those who actually helped to produce it, but in calculating the cost of work, the whole of the attendants, special gangs and others should be included, since without them the work could not go on. The numbers on daily wage, irrespective of task, have risen for the reasons given in paragraph 45 above.

48. Mr. Macpherson's verdict is strongly in favour of the pit-gang system for reasons stated in his 22nd paragraph. In this district the piece-work system has been sanctioned in five large works, and was introduced on the Tribeni canal effectively only during the last week of the period under report. The rate of Rs. 1-14 per 1,000 cubic feet, first offered was found by actual experience to give less than could be earned on task works, and had not Government sanctioned as a special case a rate of Rs. 2-8, the experiment would have broken down: it will be most carefully watched.

49. The numbers on gratuitous relief are still going up slowly, and the Collector points out that during the three weeks just past the daily average of persons (not adult units) relieved, has gone from 60,870 to 64,484, which last figure is the equivalent of 4.3 per cent. of the population of the distressed area. This proportion is rather above the 3 per cent. which has been taken as a fair standard, but the Collector is alive to the fact that incessant checking is necessary, and with the additional officers now at his disposal, or shortly to be so, this closer supervision will be possible. Some of the recipients also will go off our lists on to those of the Charitable Relief Committees. A reference to Form 6 will show that in this district the number of dependants relieved on the relief works is well kept down. The percentage in the last week under report is 7.9 to all the persons gratuitously relieved.

50. In the six Government poor-houses in the district, a daily average of 585 persons was fed throughout the period under report. The high rate of the dole, 1 anna 8 pies is explained to be due to the miserable condition of the inmates of these institutions, who are mostly sick beggars and waifs, who have been discovered and brought in, and require to be fed up with special diet and comforts.

51. The number of kitchens open was 11 with a daily average of 607 persons: it is clear that these institutions are not needed for the special purpose which makes them so valuable in Muzaffarpur.

52. Three of the Collectors' Charge Superintendents have been ill during the period under report.

53. *Muzaffarpur*.—As has been anticipated for some time, the three weeks under review have been marked by a steady increase in the number of those on relief works and in the receipt of gratuitous relief, but the increase though considerable, has not been so great as was expected.

54. The health of the district remains remarkably good, and the rain which fell about the 20th and 28th of April, greatly benefited the growing crops, *china*, *moong* and sugarcane, and secured the pasturage at any rate for the present.

55. Prices are fairly stationary. That of rice has risen everywhere, but as regards other grains the Muzaffarpur market is steady. At the two sub-divisional head-quarters some grains rose in price and others fell; wheat falling at both, and gram, which has not been a very good crop this year, rising at either place. There is no apprehension as to the sufficiency of food stocks.

56. Imports have apparently developed largely, but taking into consideration the longer period under report, the result is about the same as in the previous fortnight. Imports were 94,887 maunds against 62,386 and exports 4,656 against 1,647—the balance in favour of the district as the outcome of three weeks' traffic was 90,231 maunds against a net importation of 60,739 maunds in the previous fortnight. Of this quantity the greater portion (52,280 maunds) was rice, while 28,597 maunds of "other food-grains" were imported. Next to Muzaffarpur which imported 48,201 maunds, comes Sitamarhi with 12,427 maunds, two-thirds of which were rice.

57. The usual comparative statement of relief of all kinds is given below:—

MUZAFFARPUR.

Week ending	Number of works open.	AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF MALE UNITS ON—				Average daily outturn per male unit.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.
		Task work.	Daily wage irrespective of task.	Gratuitous relief, including dependents.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd April 1897	...	25,242	3,619	33,266	62,127	C. ft. 50.59	Rs. A. P. 1 12 7
10th " "	78	27,888	6,912	39,339	74,139	54.73	1 10 6
17th " "	...	28,788	8,924	44,131	81,843	51.44	1 13 1
24th " "	...	33,760	10,783	49,823	94,366	57.	1 10 0
1st May "	94	37,108	12,349	55,888	1,05,345	62.08	1 7 6

There has been a considerable increase in the number of works open, and in this respect Muzaffarpur now stands second to Darbhanga only: of the 94 works open, 74 were under Civil Agency and 20 under that of the Public Works Department.

58. It will be seen that for the last five weeks there has been a steady rise in the numbers on relief works and in the receipt of gratuitous relief. The Collector has not stated whether this rise was general, but I have had the

Date.	SUBDIVISION.		
	Sadar.	Hajipur.	Sitamarhi.
1	2	3	4
1897.			
17th April ...	55,609	42,107	128,441
24th " ...	62,723	57,490	147,050
1st May ...	76,726	61,150	158,869

figures totalled, and I find that for the last three weeks the grand total of male units on relief works in each subdivision has been as in the margin. The figures denote a steady increase of pressure from high prices all over the district. That the rush has not been greater is probably due to the causes detailed in Mr. Hare's 4th paragraph: he has certainly succeeded

in exacting a very high average outturn, and it is also true that the people are as a rule in good condition: for these results he undoubtedly deserves every credit, especially as they have been obtained at the expense of more anxiety than most officers would care to undergo. It is too early yet to say more on the subject. Except in the middle week of the period the outturn under Civil Agency was superior to that obtained on works under Public Works Department Agency.

59. On the Darbhanga Raj relief works in the Parihar Circle, a daily average number of 2,128 persons was employed.

60. Under gratuitous relief there has also been an advance to almost exactly the same extent—for whereas in the three weeks under review there has been an advance of 41.54 per cent. in the average daily number of male units on relief works, the increase in the average number of adult units daily receiving gratuitous relief has been from 39,339 to 55,888, or 42.04 per cent.

I do not suppose that these figures will rise much higher, for the proper objects of charitable relief should by this time all have been entered on the Circle Officers' lists, while the number of new candidates should be more than counter-balanced by those who are transferred to the agents of the Charitable Relief Fund. The ratio of those in receipt of gratuitous relief to those in receipt of all relief was 53.04 during the last week of the period.

61. The six Government poor-houses in each of the three weeks contained a daily average of 232,218 and 223 inmates. In the Darbhanga Raj poor-house at Parihar an average of 254 persons was fed daily.

62. The kitchens for children which form an important feature of relief in this district have again done excellent work: they were 26 in number, and in the three weeks under review there were fed on an average every day 2,587, 4,044 and 4,865 persons; of these 73.64 per cent. were children, and they averaged respectively 1,929, 3,027, and 3,510 per diem in each week. The fact stated by Mr. Hare, that particularly in the Sitamarhi subdivision the people have begun deliberately to starve their children, especially the girls, rather than suffer themselves, is eloquent of the height which the pinch of hunger has reached. The same fact has been reported from Darbhanga and the worst parts of Champaran also. The attention of other District Officers will be drawn to the matter.

63. *Darbhangā*.—In this district steady progress is being made, and I am glad to be able to report that numbers are not rising. The expected rush has not yet begun.

64. Prices still remain stationary. Common rice is dearer at all the sub-divisional head-quarters, and *marua* and *rahar* are dearer at Darbhanga, while gram is cheaper. At Samastipur *rahar* is cheaper: at Madhubani there is a fall in the price of wheat, barley, *marua* and *rahar*: all grains not mentioned above have undergone no change in price. Food stocks in the bazars seem to be sufficient everywhere, except perhaps in parts of Bahera thana, where, according to the Collector, the grain is in the hands, not of bunniahs so much as zamindars, who are holding back for higher prices. The Local Committee of the Charitable Fund applied for leave to spend Rs. 5,000 in importing and selling grain to break this ring, but I have refused to sanction the proposal. If the difficulty continues, and the holders will not listen to reason, the Collector may have to appoint contractors under section 36 of the Famine Code, and to plant bunniahs on his relief works with the privileges allowed in paragraph 20 of Government Resolution No. 420M.P.I.

65. Imports of food-grain by rail show a satisfactory increase. The total imports for the three weeks aggregated 1,86,346 maunds, and the exports were 4,974 maunds, giving a net excess of imports of 1,81,372 maunds, or an average net import of 60,457 maunds a week: in the previous fortnight the average weekly net import was 40,967; the imports having been 85,063 maunds against 3,128, and the balance in favour of the district 81,935 maunds. Out of the total imports, *i.e.*, 1,86,346 maunds, as much as 63,249 was rice, and 79,581 other food-grains.

66. The statistics for relief works and gratuitous relief are compared as usual in the following statement:—

DARBHANGA.

Week ending	Number of works open.	AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF MALE UNITS ON—				Average daily outturn per male unit.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.
		Task work.	Daily wage, irrespective of task.	Gratuitous relief, including dependents.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd April 1897	.....	68,686	6,564	50,726	125,926	C. ft.	Rs. A. P.
10th " "	134	74,523	9,711	56,685	140,919	33	2 11 5
17th " "	.....	62,638	12,536	56,140	131,314	38.3	2 7 2
24th " "	.....	80,151	26,968	61,702	168,821	41.5	2 6 3
1st May "	152	78,835	24,337	64,068	167,240	38.08	2 7 6

There has been an advance in the number of works which now number 152 divided as follows:—Civil Agency, 108; Public Works Department Agency, 44.

67. As regards male units on relief works, the total daily average numbers for the last five weeks are as follow, including both task workers and those on daily wage irrespective of task: 75,200, 84,234, 75,174, 107,119 and 103,172. The oscillations in the total are remarkable and are apparently due to the *rabi* harvest. The increase in the number of persons on daily wage, which is noticeable in the last three weeks, is due partly to larger numbers being employed in dressing gangs, partly to the effect of my orders that all those receiving the Sunday wage should be shown as receiving daily wage irrespective of task. The outturn is rising, and the cost rate falling. Form 7 shows that the outturn of work is still better on Civil Agency works than on those under the Public Works Department.

68. The figures below show what fluctuations have occurred in each subdivision. It will be seen that in the last week of the period under report, the falling off is accounted for in the Madhubani subdivision and on Civil Agency works in the Sadar subdivision where Public Works Department works have gained what the Civil Agency works have lost, clearly implying a taking over of works. In the previous week all the advance was in the Sadar subdivision, Madhubani remaining stationary:—

SUBDIVISION.	April 3rd.	April 10th.	April 17th.	April 24th.	May 1st.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Sadar { Civil Agency { Public Works Dept. Agency	26,841 21,753	28,420 26,566	34,011 26,057	47,383 29,039	41,790 34,640
Total ...		48,594 54,986	60,068	76,423	76,439
Samastipur { Civil Agency { Public Works Dept. Agency	2,874	3,234	4,024	4,495	5,589
Total ...		2,874 3,234	4,024	4,495	5,589
Madhubani { Civil Agency { Public Works Dept. Agency	16,029 20,236	18,502 21,551	20,803 23,066	23,309 20,561	19,714 19,634
Total ...		36,265 40,083	43,869	43,870	39,348
Total Civil Agency ...		45,744	50,156	58,838	67,093
Total Public Works Department Agency		41,989	48,117	49,123	54,274
GRAND TOTAL ...		67,308	87,733	1,07,961	1,24,787
				1,24,787	1,21,367

69. Paragraphs 17 to 27 of Mr. Carlyle's report contain a valuable and interesting criticism on the pit-gang system which may be read: as soon as the reports on this subject are received from all districts, they will be collated and a separate report submitted. In the meanwhile I propose to circulate to other officers for information and guidance Mr. Carlyle's account of the modified system introduced by Mr. Blackwood. I have seen the system working and it succeeded admirably.

70. Gratuitous relief has increased slowly in the three weeks from 65,685 adult units to 64,068: the rise is equivalent to 13·02 per cent. The dole is now steady at about 9·7 pie, except those distributed by Public Works Department Agency, which are all to children dependants on relief works.

71. Poor-houses were opened in eight places as before: the daily average of inmates in the last week of the period was 238, as against 194 in the last week of the previous fortnight. Mr. Carlyle notices that children are not being properly fed, and I shall be glad to see him open kitchens in several places, as has been done in Sitamarhi.

72. The Darbhanga Raj had a daily average of 18,347 persons on relief works during the fortnight, and 10,334 on gratuitous relief.

PART III.—CONCLUSION.

73. The three weeks under review have been a period of steady progress, and it has witnessed the introduction of one or two improvements in administration. There has been a rise in the numbers both on relief works and in the receipt of gratuitous relief, but these have not been so great as has sometimes been anticipated.

74. There was rain in all districts on the 20th and 31st April, and in most on the 28th. This fell in scattered showers, varying as much in intensity as in locality. The result has been purely beneficial, except in the few cases where damage has been done to indigo, for the rain has refreshed the crops on the ground—sugarcane, *china*, *moong*, early rice and *janera*, has gone far to secure pasturage, and has to some extent filled the wells and tanks.

75. Crop prospects in these circumstances are excellent, and it is the subject of universal remark that lands have been prepared for *bhadoi* and early rice this year unusually early, and to an unusually large extent.

76. The public health continues good everywhere except in Bhabua, where there has been a good deal of small-pox, and in Patna City, where (as is always the case at this time) cholera has broken out. Cattle disease has been very bad in Patna City and in parts of Darbhanga.

77. Prices remain fairly steady with a tendency to rise slowly: in one or two outlying tracts in Bagaha and Hardih, in Champaran, they are very high, and in Bahera, in Darbhanga, the Collector reports that they are kept up by a combination, not of bunniahs, but of zamindars. I give as Appendix B a statement showing the prices of common rice, wheat and barley on the last Saturday of each of the last seven months: it will be seen that the rise is nowhere alarming.

78. The imports and exports of the past three weeks are set forth below:—

DISTRICT.	IMPORTS.		EXPORTS.		EXCESS—I. OR E.	
	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Patna	68,566	1,16,890	51,335	70,114	L. 17,231	L. 45,776
Gaya	11,244	22,691	1,177	977	L. 10,067	L. 21,714
Shahabad	28,777	26,368	28,407	50,998	L. 370	E. 30,630
Saran	92,154	1,07,652	9,761	18,115	L. 82,393	L. 1,49,837
Champaran	71,854	42,216	246	671	L. 71,608	L. 41,545
Muzaffarpur	62,386	94,887	1,647	4,656	L. 60,739	L. 90,251
Darbhanga	85,063	1,86,346	3,128	4,974	L. 81,935	L. 1,81,373
Total ...	4,20,044	6,87,050	95,701	1,56,505	L. 3,24,343	L. 5,00,548

It will be observed that there is a large increase in the excess of imports in all districts, except Champaran and Shahabad. In Champaran imports still exceed exports, but the balance is smaller than before. Shahabad has again been exporting her *rabi* so fast that the balance is heavily on the side of exports. The increase in Darbhanga and Saran is very large. The imports of rice from Howrah are shown in the margin for the last four periods. There is a large rise on the whole in spite of the sudden fall in Champaran, the increase in Darbhanga being especially large.

79. The following statement shows the number of persons receiving relief on the 1st May as reported in the *Calcutta Gazette*, and the percentage to the population of the affected area in each district on that date and on the last day of four previous half-monthly periods. There is a rise everywhere except in Champaran, where the numbers and the ratio have been falling steadily since the 13th March. The increase is apparently greatest in Saran, but that is partly

DISTRICT.	FOR THE PERIOD ENDING—			
	13th March.	27th March.	10th April.	1st May.
1	2	3	4	5
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Patna	10,225	7,899	23,067	48,503
Gaya	745	.....	1,123	10,027
Shahabad	1,499	4,872	2,314	7,924
Saran	35,870	32,169	44,247	68,435
Champaran	13,580	34,907	56,800	26,657
Muzaffarpur	11,670	16,051	15,074	36,182
Darbhanga	4,542	6,814	19,943	63,139
Total ...	78,132	1,02,712	1,62,568	2,60,867

due to a change in the Collector's estimate of the total population affected. Muzaffarpur has advanced $1\frac{1}{2}$ and Darbhanga about 1 per cent. :—

DISTRICT.	Estimated population of affected area.	Number in receipt of relief of all kinds on 1st May.	PERCENTAGE RECEIVING RELIEF ON THE—				
			27th February	13th March.	27th March.	10th April.	1st May.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Shahabad ...	381,296	30,858	1.6	4.8	6.65	8.77	8.7
Saran ...	1,416,176	78,957	2.86	2.83	2.99	3.85	5.57
Champanan ...	1,654,000	139,079	8.71	13.21	10.58	9.48	8.94
Muzaffarpur ...	1,660,000	113,952	1.85	3.31	3.66	5.34	6.86
Darbhanga ...	2,234,000	234,175	7.46	7.48	8.9	9.54	10.48
Total ...	7,245,472	697,021	5.76	6.70	6.76	7.39	8.23

80. The statement below compares the main statistics of relief works and gratuitous relief for the past and the previous period taking a mean of the weeks' averages in each.

DISTRICT.	FORTNIGHT ENDING 10TH APRIL 1897.								THREE WEEKS ENDING 1ST MAY 1897.							
	TASK-WORK.				DAILY WAGES, IRRESPECTIVE OF TASK.		GRATUITOUS RELIEF.		TASK-WORK.				DAILY WAGES, IRRESPECTIVE OF TASK.		GRATUITOUS RELIEF.	
	Average daily number of male units.	Work done by each per diem.	Wages-earned by each per diem.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.	Average daily number of male units.	Daily wages earned by each.	Number of adult units in receipt of gratuitous relief.	Average dole.	Average daily number of male units.	Work done by each per diem.	Wages earned by each per diem.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.	Average daily number of male units.	Daily wages earned by each.	Number of adult units in receipt of gratuitous relief.	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		C. ft.	A. P.	Rs. A. P.		A. P.		A. P.		C. ft.	A. P.	Rs. A. P.		A. P.		18-18
Patna ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gaya ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shahabad ...	6,807	37	1 8	2 13 7	567	1 11	17,105	0 10 1	5,556	38	1 6	2 7 7	811	1 10	17,105	...
Saran ...	6,590	32	1 8 1	2 10 0	1,351	1 6 1	29,302	0 7 1	11,790	32.9	1 3 1	2 9 5	2,704	1 6	35,429	...
Champanan ...	58,060	25	1 6 1	3 13 11	7,152	1 9	40,220	0 10 1	48,910	31	1 6 1	3 1 7	12,344	1 8	52,031	...
Muzaffarpur ...	26,566	32	1 5	1 11 6	5,265	1 8 1	36,302	0 9	33,219	56.8	1 5	1 10 2	10,685	1 8	40,947	...
Darbhanga ...	71,579	33	1 5	2 11 11	8,137	1 7	53,705	0 10	73,875	39.29	1 6	2 7 0	21,280	1 6	60,007	...
Total ...	1,09,691	...	...	...	22,472	...	1,85,634	...	1,73,350	...	...	...	47,824	...	3,20,307	...

There is an increase of 3,759 in the average daily numbers of male units on task-work equivalent to an advance of 2.21 per cent. Including those on daily wage irrespective of task, the advance is 29,111, or 15.15 per cent. The large advance in those under the latter category is due to the inclusion of those paid for Sunday.

81. As is natural, with both officials and people becoming daily more familiar with the work to be done, the daily average outturn is rising and the cost rate falling; the mean outturn of the five districts represented is 39.59 against 35.8 cubic feet and the mean cost rate nearly Rs. 2.7-2 instead of Rs. 2.12-2. So, too, the range of discrepancy under this head is shrinking; in the previous fortnight the highest outturn (Muzaffarpur was 25 cubic feet, and the lowest Champanan 25 cubic feet) giving a range of 27 cubic feet, in the three weeks under review, the highest outturn was 56.8 cubic feet and the lowest 31 cubic feet, a range of 25.8 cubic feet, Muzaffarpur and Champanan again occupying the extremities of the scale. In respect of cost rate the difference is now only between Rs. 3-1-7 in Champanan and Rs. 1-10-2 in Muzaffarpur, as against Rs. 3-13-11 and Rs. 1-11-6 in the same two districts previously.

82. In gratuitous relief there has also been an advance of 34,692 in the daily average number of adult units relieved, which is equivalent to 18.68 per cent. There is still some variation in the average dole which, in both periods, is lowest in Saran, owing partly to the cheapness of the grain taken as the equivalent, and highest in Champanan.

83. The distribution of works, as between the Civil and the Public Works Department Agency, is given in the margin. During the past three weeks the total number of works open has increased by 51, the advance having been 41 under Civil Agency and 10 under Public Works Department Agency; as before, the Public Works Department seem to be much hampered by the difficulty of obtaining qualified subordinates. During the period under review the important step was taken of authorising a

DISTRICT.	Civil Agency.	Public Works Department Agency.	Total.
1	2	3	4
Shahabad ...	7	.....	7
Saran ...	33	6	39
Champaran ...	54	27	81
Muzaffarpur ...	74	20	94
Darbhanga ...	108	44	152
Total ...	276	97	373

modified system of piece-work on the principles finally laid down in Government Resolution 181 of the 6th instant. As far as my information goes, this system is actually at work only on the Tribeni canal in Champaran and the Bhagmati canal in Muzaffarpur, but I trust that within the current fortnight it will be extended to the other large works indicated in the Resolution, and perhaps in the Samastipur subdivision in Darbhanga, and in certain parts of Saran.

84. I have also drawn special attention to the necessity of checking more carefully than ever the measurements on relief works and exacting an honest task. I have also reminded District Officers that if the price of grain falls, the basis of the grain equivalent has to be altered. It is only the strict observance of these precautions that will prevent a large influx, not only of those who really require relief, but of all those also who are out of work at this the slackest season of the agricultural year.

85. Between the date of my last report and the present date, seven officers of the Indian Staff Corps have reported themselves to me for famine duty and have been posted as follows:—Mr. Harding, 19th Madras Infantry to Saran, Mr. MacBarnett, 5th Punjab Cavalry to Champaran; Messrs. Bliss, 21st Madras Pioneers; Harvest, 9th Madras Infantry, and Fagan, 6th Madras Infantry to Muzaffarpur; Mr. Hudson, 22nd Madras Infantry, and Hole, 19th Madras Infantry, to Darbhanga. Mr. Harvest has since been recalled for civil employment elsewhere. Some 60 non-commissioned officers and soldiers of the British Army have also arrived, and been posted to the four north Gangetic districts: it is perhaps too soon to judge of the usefulness of these men, but I may be allowed to note that many of them are hardly of the type that we hoped to receive; a majority being young soldiers with little knowledge of the country and little ability to provide for themselves. I have for the present stopped the supply.

86. Details of the amounts advanced in each district during, and previous to, the last period are given below. Shahabad is the foremost so far, but in all districts many applications are pending, which will be disposed of as soon as possible.

DISTRICT.	Amount advanced up to the 31st March 1897.	AMOUNT ADVANCED SINCE THE 1st APRIL 1897.			REMARKS.
		Previous to period under report.	During period under report.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
Patna ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gaya ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shahabad ...	1,950	2,900	3,725	6,625	
Saran ...	9,952	746	1,432	2,178	
Champaran ...	.....	155	2,000	2,155	
Muzaffarpur ...	3,100	450	1,617	2,067	
Darbhanga ...	1,412	37	(a) 3,862	3,900	(a) Not stated whether advanced under the modified rules or not.
Total ...	16,414	4,288	12,636	16,925	

87. During the period under review, a sum of eight lakhs of rupees in all was allotted for expenditure in this division by the Executive Committee of the Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund. This sum was distributed by me on the 19th April, as detailed in the margin.

	Rs.
Shahabad	25,000
Saran	1,15,000
Champaran	1,89,000
Muzaffarpur	2,15,000
Darbhangha	2,56,000
Total	8,00,000

Subsequently, as the outcome of certain correspondence with the Secretary of the Fund, another sum of five lakhs of rupees was allotted to this division. A circular distributing this sum was in print and about to issue, when I received intimation that the allotment might be reconsidered, and I have therefore taken no steps to distribute this further sum of five lakhs.

88. The usual statement of expenditure is appended. It will be seen that so far as these figures go, the expenditure to date has been Rs. 27,71,084, of which Rs. 17,10,920 were spent up to the 31st March last, leaving an expenditure in the month of April of Rs. 10,60,164. During the last three weeks a sum of Rs. 6,58,719 has been expended. Of the total expenditure to date, Rs. 19,80,387 has been spent on relief works, and Rs. 7,38,466 on gratuitous relief.

89. The usual statements and maps are appended, but as this report is already very late, I do not delay it further to add any remarks on the progress for the month of April. The statements from Darbhanga have not been checked. I have already forwarded to Government a memorandum giving such information as I have been able to procure on the subject of food stocks, and a careful note on the agricultural operations of the next six months, prepared by Mr. Stevenson-Moore, Settlement Officer of North Bihar.

APPENDIX A.

DISTRICT.	RELIEF WORK.					GRATUITOUS RELIEF.					MISCELLANEOUS.					GRAND TOTAL.	
	Paid for task work.	Daily wage, irrespective of task.	Depen- dants under sections 83 and 84.	Total of columns 2, 3 and 4.	Poor- houses, &c.	Relief of artisans.	Relief by grain doles.	Relief by money doles.	Kitchens.	Miscella- neous charitable relief.	Total of columns 6 to 11.	Establish- ment and contin- gencies.	Tools and plant.	Cash and stores.	Bounties for digging wells.		Total of columns 13 to 16.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Patna	Rs. A. P. 3,161 0 1	Rs. A. P. 62 13 9	Rs. A. P. 1,744 7 3	Rs. A. P. 3,163 13 10	Rs. A. P. 747 10 10	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P. 205 10 3	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P. 953 5 1	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P. 4,117 3 11
Gaya	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shahabad	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saran	33,179 14 1	6,501 0 9	1,744 7 3	41,425 6 1	9,857 11 0	.....	.....	49,476 2 4	949 12 0	938 10 3	61,063 3 7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,02,437 9 8
Champan	73,338 11 8	14,112 15 9	933 4 6	92,739 15 11	453 6 8	.....	.....	50,150 13 4	.....	.....	1,00,532 6 3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,93,323 6 7
Muzaffarpur	7,14,772 6 1	74,558 1 2	17,932 12 3	8,07,263 3 3	2,571 2 1	.....	.....	1,98,523 11 4	3,349 14 6	.....	2,03,444 11 3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,24,529 13 7
Darbhanga	1,70,712 12 4	35,163 11 4	3,290 3 6	2,03,166 11 2	1,762 11 4	.....	.....	16,756 6 2	2,390 10 10	.....	1,07,532 9 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,16,736 5 1
	6,58,485 4 11	1,49,331 9 2	8,761 6 2	8,26,625 4 3	724 0 6½	.....	.....	2,49,423 8 7½	.....	3 10 0	2,64,914 0 8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,29,629 3 5
Total	16,58,590 1 2	2,89,780 3 11	32,017 1 8	19,80,337 6 9	15,846 10 6½	.....	1,51,420 14 10	5,64,516 2 11½	5,690 5 4	992 4 3	7,38,465 5 10	18,883 9 8	32,750 3 6	896 14 6	.....	52,830 11 8	27,71,084 8 3

PATNA COMMRS.'S OFFICE;
BANKIPORE,
The 7th April 1897.

J. A. BOURDILLON,
Commissioner.

APPENDIX B.

*Statement showing the progress of prices in the Patna Division during the last seven months.
Common rice.*

STATION.	NUMBER OF SEERS FOR THE RUPEE ON THE LAST SATURDAY IN—						
	October 1896.	November 1896.	December 1896.	January 1897.	February 1897.	March 1897.	April (May 1st) 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.
Patna	9 0	14 0	11 0	11 0	11 0	10 0	9 0
Dinapore ... ..	...	10 8	10 8	10 0	10 0	9 12	8 12
Barh ... ..	...	11 8	11 4	10 4	11 0	9 8	8 8
Bihar ... ..	...	13 0	12 0	11 4	10 0	10 0	9 8
Gaya	8 12	9 4	9 12	9 3	9 12	8 12	8 0
Nawada ... ..	...	11 8	10 12	10 10	10 6	9 12	8 6
Jahanabad ... ..	...	9 10	10 0	9 0	9 0	8 10	7 7
Aurangabad ... ..	...	10 0	10 12	10 0	10 0	9 0	8 5
Arrah	8 8	10 0	9 8	10 0	9 12	8 8	8 8
Sasaram	8 12	9 12	9 0	9 8	9 6	8 8	8 8
Buxar	8 8	9 0	10 0	9 0	9 8	9 0	9 0
Bhabhua	7 8	9 4	9 0	9 0	9 0	8 8	8 8
Chapra	9 0	9 0	10 0	9 8	10 0	9 12	9 0
Siwan ... ..	...	9 10	9 9	8 12	9 6	9 5	9 5
Gopalganj ... ..	...	9 8	9 8	9 2	9 8	9 5	9 5
Motihari	11 0	9 0	9 4	8 12	9 0	8 5	8 5
Bettiah ... ..	...	10 0	9 0	9 8	9 8	9 8	9 0
Muzaffarpur	8 0	8 8	9 0	9 0	8 8	9 0	8 0
Sitamarhi ... ..	...	8 8	9 8	9 8	9 0	8 0	7 12
Hajipur ... ..	...	10 0	9 4	9 7	9 4	9 0	8 2
Darbhanga	10 0	10 0	8 8	9 0	9 0	8 8	8 0
Madhubani ... ..	...	11 0	9 8	10 8	9 15	8 12	8 1
Samastipur ... ..	...	10 0	9 0	9 0	10 0	10 8	8 4

Wheat.

	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.	S. CH.
Patna	8 8	9 0	9 4	9 0	9 0	9 0	10 0
Dinapore	9 4	9 4	9 4	8 4	8 8	10 0	9 12
Barh	8 12	8 8	9 0	9 0	9 0	8 8	9 8
Bihar	9 0	10 12	9 0	10 0	10 0	10 8	9 12
Gaya	9 0	8 8	8 4	8 3	8 4	9 10	9 2
Nawada	9 8	9 8	9 8	9 3	8 10	9 8	9 8
Jahanabad	8 0	8 0	8 0	7 8	9 6	8 13	8 13
Aurangabad	10 0	10 2	9 10	10 0	11 8	10 4	10 4
Arrah	9 0	9 0	8 0	8 12	9 0	9 8	9 0
Sesaram	9 4	8 4	8 4	8 8	11 6	10 12	10 8
Buxar	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 8	10 8	10 4
Bhabhua	8 0	8 0	8 0	8 8	9 12	10 4	10 0
Chapra	8 8	8 8	8 8	8 8	8 8	10 8	10 8
Siwan	8 6	8 6	8 8	8 8	8 6	11 7	11 1
Gopalganj	8 10	8 10	8 15	8 4	8 14	11 11	11 11
Motihari	9 0	9 0	9 0	9 5	7 9	8 1	9 2
Bettiah	9 0	9 0	9 0	10 0	10 0	9 0	9 8
Muzaffarpur	8 0	8 8	8 0	8 0	8 0	9 8	9 8
Sitamarhi	9 0	7 8	8 0	7 0	7 0	7 8	8 4
Hajipur	9 3	8 15	7 10	8 10	9 0	9 8	9 8
Darbhanga	8 0	8 0	7 0	6 8	8 8	8 8	8 8
Madhubani	9 12	8 0	8 4	8 8	7 12	9 1	9 1
Samastipur	9 0	8 8	9 0	8 8	8 8	9 0	9 0

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No. 106F., dated Bankipore, the 10th May 1897.

From—T. INGLIS, Esq., Collector of Patna,
To—The Commissioner of the Patna Division.

I HAVE the honour to submit the following half-monthly report under section 24 of the Bengal Famine Code for the three weeks ending 17th and 24th April and 1st May 1897.

2. SECTION 24 (1).—*Area affected, &c.*—No change.

3. SECTION 24 (2) (a).—*General state of the affected tracts, &c.*—The condition remains unchanged though the critical period anticipated has set in. The agricultural operations in connection with the standing crops, viz., sugarcane, millets (cheena), banga, cotton, tobacco, still afford employment to a considerable number of the agricultural poor. The annual house repairs and the marriage festivities also support not an inconsiderable population. The marriage season has fortunately come off later than usual and at a time when the poor classes would otherwise be largely unemployed. The April rains, if followed by rain in the Rohan asterism, which begins early in Jeth, will, I hope, provide the agricultural classes with sufficient employment up to the *bhadoi* harvest. The District Board repairs to unmetalled roads have failed to attract this class who will not work for 2½ annas, nor in some places even for 3 annas. In Patna this morning coolies could not be obtained for unskilled work at 3 annas. The road repairs have been given out to contractors in order to get the work completed before the rains set in. The recent occasional rains have been distributed all over the district.

4. SECTION 24 (2) (b).—*Crop prospects.*—The prospects of the crops now on the ground—sugarcane, millets, vegetables, cotton—are hopeful. The recent rainfall has done them much good. The damage done to the *rabi* crops at the threshing floor was immaterial. It has improved the supply of fodder.

5. SECTION 24 (2) (c).—*Food-stocks.*—I have no doubt that food-stocks are sufficient. There are no signs of depletion. The large excess of imports over exports during these three weeks shows that cultivators are holding on to their *rabi* crop as they have been holding on to the rice crop.

6. SECTION 24 (2) (d).—*Importation or exportation of food-grains.*—The export amounted to 70,114 maunds, or 46,776 maunds less than the imports. The former consisted principally of "Grain and pulses" sent mostly to Howrah, Allahabad, Lucknow, Gaya, Gwalior, by rail, and to Sahibganj by river. The chief exporting centres were Mokameh, Barh, Patna Ghat and Khusrupur.

Rice was exported in small consignments, destined for the most part for Allahabad and Daronda by rail, and Gopalpur, Lalganj and Reva by steamers, to the extent of 4,602 maunds. The largest consignment of 526 maunds went to Daronda.

The imports consisted mainly of rice (amounting to 85,141 maunds) drawn mostly to Patna Ghat, Mokameh, Barh, Bankipore and Bihta. The imports were fairly distributed over the district. The bulk of the imports came from Howrah, Burdwan, Bolepur, Ahmadpur, Raniganj, Mollarpur and Durgapur by rail. The river traffic was too small to notice.

Wheat was imported to the extent of 12,440 maunds by country boat, principally from Dohrie, Gola, Gopalpur, Burhuj and Tewaripatti.

The following quantities of the food-grains specified below were imported from the stations named in the Commissioner's Famine Circular No. 15 of 1897:—

		Rice.	Paddy.
		Mds.	Mds.
Howrah	...	45,864	5,281
Kidderpore (Docks)	...	2,639	Nil
Calcutta	...	Nil	Nil
Sealdah	...	Nil	Nil
Total	...	48,503	5,281

7. SECTION 24 (2) (e).—*Rainfall.*—The following figures were recorded during the three weeks under report:—

Station.		Week ending 24th April.	Week ending 1st May.
Sadar	...	0.95	Nil
Bikram	...	0.50	0.09
Barh	...	0.27	Nil
Bihar	...	0.33	0.32
Hilsa	...	0.70	Nil
Dinapore	...	0.56	Nil

There was no rainfall during the first week. The rain in the week ending the 24th April was looked on as unusual by the residents of this district, who are now anxious in the fear that the rains may also be abnormal. The rain followed in the wake of a "nor-wester"—a not uncommon occurrence in Bengal Proper.

8. SECTION 24 (2) (f).—*Public health*.—Cholera and small-pox prevail throughout Patna City and in parts of the Barh subdivision. Small-pox of a mild type is also prevalent in Bihar.

The number of deaths in Patna, according to the latest reports, amounted to 268 from cholera and 14 from small-pox.

No deaths have been reported from Bihar.

9. SECTION 24 (2) (g).—*Emigration or immigration of famished people*.—Nil.

10. SECTION 24 (2) (h).—*Condition of cattle*.—Rinderpest still continues in Patna. It is confined to the limits of the Pirbahore and Sultanganj thanas, and is said to be under control: 104 deaths are reported.

The segregation camp under the Veterinary Assistant, maintained at the joint expense of the District Board and the Patna Municipality, is reported to be doing good work.

The opposition on the part of the owners to send their cattle, affected or suspected, to the camp is being gradually overcome.

Three cases of anthrax, all fatal, were also discovered in Patna. Segregation was immediately enforced. No more cases have occurred.

Green fodder is becoming scarce, but the rainfall has improved the supply to a considerable extent.

11. SECTION 24 (2) (i).—*Prices*.—Prices are oscillating, showing a tendency to rise, which is specially noticeable in common rice in all the subdivisions, except Bihar. Wheat shows improvement in Sadar and Barh. The rise in Bihar, where a considerable area was under this cereal, is probably due to the cultivators having ceased to sell.

The usual list of prices is appended.

12. SECTION 24 (3).—*Relief Works open, &c.*—Nil. The District Board's annual repairs of roads started at convenient centres all over the district to meet the wants of unemployed labour, and have failed in their object. No one will work for 2½ annas, and in some places even for 3 annas, though tools and baskets and daily payments have been provided for. I have been obliged to make the work over to contractors.

13. SECTION 24 (4).—*Poor-houses, &c.*—There were 55 men, 40 women and 16 children in the Bankipore poor-house. Cooked food is distributed on the scale laid down in the Code.

There were four deaths, including those of two children who were received in an emaciated condition with their parents, though the latter were in good condition. They were quite young. Most of our inmates come in bad health when their strength failing them; they were unable to go about begging. The Code ration is supplemented occasionally from presents made by the visitors, and clothes are given from the Charitable Relief Fund.

14. SECTION 24 (5).—*Organisation for employment of artisans, &c.*—Nil.

15. SECTION 24 (6).—*Grain doles or money doles*.—Relief is given in money doles through the Charge Superintendents for reasons explained in previous reports.

The Charge Superintendent of thana Masandhi made a village-to-village enquiry into the condition of the people entitled to gratuitous relief, and made advances, amounting to Rs. 44-3-6, to meet urgent cases of destitution. These were paid to punches and other respectable persons of the village for distribution by grain doles through the village *bania*.

Seven persons, including children, were sent by him to the poor-house at Bankipore. It may be noted that all of these except one came from Gorakhpur or Saran.

Such of the recipients of relief above mentioned as fell under one or other of the four heads of Mr. Baker's Circular No. 1 have been directed by me to be transferred to the lists of the Charitable Relief Fund, to which the advances will be debited. In other cases relief will be continued at the expense of the District Board.

16. SECTION 24 (7).—*Relief in kitchens*.—Nil.

17. SECTION 24 (8).—*Loans*.—A sum of Rs. 250 has been advanced to five persons, on an average of Rs. 50 to each, under the Agriculturists' Loans Act. Occupancy holdings have been mortgaged by the recipients in security of repayment of the loan. Individual securities have been accepted after necessary enquiries.

The rate of advance has been the standard fixed by the Commissioner, i.e., Rs. 4 for each bigha of occupancy tenure. Eleven applications under the Land Improvement Loans Act and 108 under the Agriculturists' Loans Act were filed and distributed among the kanungo and Subdivisional Officers for enquiry and report. Those under the former Act will be struck off. I have asked the Deputy Collector, Maulvi Syed Mohamad, who receives these applications on my behalf to reject them directly they are put in.

18. SECTION 24 (9).—*Financial statement*.—The usual statement is appended.

19. SECTION 24 (10).—Nil.

20. SECTION 24 (11).—Nil.

21. SECTION 27 (iii).—*Water-supply*.—Wells have commenced drying up earlier and more widely than usual—a natural consequence of the drought which has now lasted two years.

The Subdivisional and other officers have been directed to keep up a special outlook and to devote a special paragraph in their half-monthly reports, anything of importance being immediately reported.

From the report to hand it is satisfactory to notice that nothing like a water-famine is apprehended.

The people are in places taking steps to protect themselves against such a contingency. This is quite within their power, but I notice that there is a tendency to look to Government to deepen the existing wells. This is impossible. As a temporary measure, the wells may be

cleaned or kutchra wells sunk, and this the villagers will see to themselves, and it would be mere cruelty to hold out any hopes of Government, and which could not be effective over any large area, or with the short time at our disposal. The villagers will make their own arrangements as they did when the rains stopped in September, and kutchra wells were sunk by them all over the district for irrigation purposes.

Statistics of admissions into jail.—Out of 62 admissions during March last, 49 prisoners were in good health, 9 in indifferent and 4 in bad health.

The admissions of convicts in indifferent or bad health are not above the usual average.

Appendices.—The following statements are appended :—

- (1) List of prices.
- (2) Form 6 for each week.
- (3) " 7.
- (4) " 8.
- (5) " 9.
- (6) Famine Statement A.
- (7) " " B.
- (8) Abstract statement of exports and imports.*
- (9) Weekly returns of the poor-house.

The map is not required.

General.—The district continues in the same condition. The current of the imports is in favour of the district, and the excess over exports is increasing. The only subject of importance is the water-supply. There is no ground for alarm if the rains set in in due time and are evenly distributed over the district area.

DISTRICT PATNA.

Statement of retail shop prices for week ending 1st May 1897, as compared with those for week ending 17th April 1897.

KIND OF GRAIN.	PATNA CITY.		SADAR.		BARR.		BIHAR.		DINAPORE.		DISTRICT.	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.
...	8 to 9½	8 to 9½	8 to 9½	8 to 9	7½ to 9	7½ to 8½	8 to 9½	7½ to 9½	8 to 9	7½ to 8½	7½ to 9½	7½ to 9½
...	9 to 10	8 to 10	8 to 9½	8 to 10	8 to 9½	8 to 9½	8 to 13	8 to 13	9 to 9½	9 to 9½	8 to 13	8 to 10
...	12	12 to 13½	11 to 14	10 to 14	11 to 12½	11 to 13	12 to 15	11 to 15	12½ to 15	12 to 12½	11 to 15	10 to 15
...	11	11 to 12½	10 to 12	11 to 14	10 to 11½	9½ to 11	10 to 12	10 to 12	10 to 12	11 to 12	11 to 12	9½ to 14
...	12 to 13	11 to 12	11 to 13	11 to 13½	12	11½ to 12½	11 to 13	11 to 13	11 to 13	11 to 12½	11 to 13	11 to 13½
...	13 to 14½	13½ to 14½	12 to 15	12 to 15	12 to 14½	12 to 13	12 to 15	11½ to 13	8 to 13½	13 to 13½	8 to 15	11½ to 15
...	14	14 to 15	14 to 20	14 to 15	13 to 17	15 to 17	12 to 15	12 to 15	14	14	12 to 20	12 to 17

FORM No. 6.

[See section 26 (ii) of the Code.]

DISTRICT PATNA.

Statement of gratuitous relief for the week ending 17th April 1897.

NAME OF CIRCLE, CHARGE, THANNA OR RELIEF WORK.	NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING GRATUITOUS RELIEF.				Money expended.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.—CIVIL AGENCY.					Rs. A. P.
<i>Sadar Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 3 (Masandhi)—					
Under Chapter V ...	14	.....	.....	14	1 0 0 ^(a)
In poor-house at Bankipore ...	56·71	33·93	17·21	107·85	Money not paid to contractor.
Wanderers ...	1·14	·28	.....	1·42	0 7 3
Total of charge ...	57·99	34·21	17·21	109·41	1 7 3
Charge No. 7 (Khajekalan)—					
Wanderers ...	·28	.....	.....	·28	0 2 0
Total of Sadar Subdivision ...	58·27	34·21	17·21	109·69	1 9 3
<i>Barh Subdivision.</i>					
(Charge not specified in subdivisional return)—					
Wanderers ...	·14	.....	.....	·14	0 1 0
<i>Bihar Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 10 (east of Bakhtiarpur Giriak road)—					
Under Chapter V ...	3	.....	.....	3	Nil. Re. 1-10-3 of previous advance covers this week.
Charge No. 11 (west of Bakhtiarpur and south of Bihar-Ekangar road)—					
Under Chapter V ...	2	1	.....	3	Rs. 6-2 (of this amount Re. 1-8-6 re- presents ayment for the week).
Total of Bihar Subdivision ...	5	1	.....	6	6 2 0
Grand total of district ...	63·41	35·21	17·21	115·83	7 12 3

(a) Represents fooding and railway charges of a beggar.

Statement of gratuitous relief for the week ending 24th April 1897.

NAME OF CIRCLE, CHARGE, THANNA OR RELIEF WORK.	NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING GRATUITOUS RELIEF.				Money expended.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.—CIVIL AGENCY.					
<i>Sadar Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 3 (Masandhi)—					Rs. A. P.
Under Chapter V ...	8.57	12.86	4.28	25.71	14 2 0
In poor-house at Bankipore ...	59.78	39.85	16.57	116.20	Money not paid to con- tractor.
Wanderers ...	.43	.28	.....	.71	0 3 3
Total of charge ...	68.78	52.99	20.85	142.62	14 5 3
Charge No. 7 (Khajekalan, &c.)—					
Wanderers ...	.....	.14	.....	.14	0 1 0
Total of Sadar subdivision ...	68.78	53.13	20.85	142.76	14 6 3
<i>Barh Subdivision.</i>					
(Charge not specified in subdivisional return)—					
Wanderers ...	.14	.....	.....	.14	0 0 6
<i>Bihar Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 10 (east of Bakhtiarpur- Giriak road)—					
Under Chapter V ...	3	.....	.....	3	2 3 0 (Re. 1-10-3 only of this advance and previous ad- vances covers this week.)
Charge No. 11 (west of Bakhtiarpur- and south of Bihar-Ekangar road)—					
Under Chapter V ...	2	1	.....	3	Nil. (Re. 1-8-6 of previous ad- vance cov- ers this week.)
Total of Bihar subdivision ...	5	1	.....	6	2 3 0
Grand total of district ...	73.92	54.13	20.85	148.90	16 9 9

Statement of gratuitous relief for the week ending 1st May 1897.

NAME OF CIRCLE, CHARGE, THANNA OR RELIEF WORK.	NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING GRATUITOUS RELIEF.				Money expended.
	Men.	Women.	Children	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.—CIVIL AGENCY.					
<i>Sadar Subdivision.</i>					
In poor-house at Bankipore ...	56·92	50·85	16·82	124·59	Rs. A. P.
Charge No. 3 (Masandhi)— Wanderers ...	·43	.....	.....	·43	Money not paid to con- tractor. 0 3 3
Charge No. 7 (Khajekalan, &c.) ...	·28	.....	.....	·28	0 2 0
Total of Sadar Subdivision ...	57·63	50·85	16·82	125·30	0 5 3
<i>Bihar Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 10 (east of Bakhtiar- pur-Giriak road)— Under Chapter V ...	3	.....	.....	3	2 3 0 (Re. 1-10-3 of this and previous ad- vance cov- ers this week.)
Charge No. 11 (west of Bakhtiar- pur and south of Bihar-Ekangar road)— Under Chapter V ...	2	1	.....	3	Nil. (Re. 1-8-6 of previous ad- vance cov- ers this week.)
Total of Bihar Subdivision ...	5	1	.....	6	2 3 0
<i>Dinapore Subdivision.</i>					
Charge No. 5 (Dinapore)— Wanderers ...	·14	·14	.....	·28	0 2 6
Grand total for the district ..	62·77	51·99	16·82	131·58	2 10 9

Combined statement of gratuitous relief for the three weeks ending 1st May 1897.

<i>Civil Agency.</i>					Rs. A. P.
Week ending 17th April 1897 ...	63·41	35·21	17·21	115·83	7 12 3
" " 24th " " ...	73·92	54·13	20·85	148·90	16 9 9
" " 1st May " ...	62·77	51·99	16·82	131·58	2 10 9
Total ...	200·10	141·33	54·88	396·31	27 0 9

Statement of imports of food-grains in maunds by rail during the week ending the 24th April 1897.

Station to which imported.	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains, such as barley, kodo, shama, marwa, Indian-corn, oats, millets, &c.	Total of columns 2 to 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mokameh	2,594	...	...	...	...	2,594
Barh	3,491	...	...	...	...	3,491
Bakhtiarpur	374	...	...	...	...	374
Khusrupur	16	1,507	32	...	...	1,555
Fatwah	796	...	...	12	...	796
Patna	2,377	562	186	...	546	3,087
Patna Ghat	11,011	374	694	...	...	13,425
Bankipore	1,422	...	...	129	...	1,422
Digha Ghat ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	129
Dinapore	680	...	...	...	...	680
Bihta	413	...	...	...	7	413
Poonpoo ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	7
Total imports for the week ...	24,074	2,443	762	141	553	27,973
Deduct local trade ...	...	...	...	129	...	129
Net imports by rail ...	24,074	2,443	762	12	553	27,844
<i>Imports for the week by steamer and country boats.</i>						
Patna ... ..	...	...	2,840	2,222	800	5,871
Total imports for the week ...	24,074	2,443	3,611	2,234	1,353	33,715

Statement of imports of food-grains in maunds by rail during the week ending the 1st May 1897.

	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mokameh	718	...	201	...	...	919
Barh	3,962	...	...	...	275	4,337
Bakhtiarpur	245	...	...	...	...	245
Khusrupur	877	1,529	23	...	...	1,929
Fatwah ... ..	...	751	...	...	...	751
Patna	69	688	121	408	24	1,310
Patna Ghat	9,710	...	495	447	...	10,652
Bankipore	2,657	...	...	...	...	2,657
Digha Ghat	164	...	...	442	...	606
Dinapore	752	...	...	...	...	752
Bihta	1,176	...	277	7	...	1,460
Poonpoo ... ..	...	...	...	7	...	7
Total imports for the week ...	19,818	2,968	1,117	1,311	299	25,513
Deduct local trade ...	461	...	...	647	...	1,108
Net imports by rail ...	19,357	2,968	1,117	664	299	24,405
<i>Imports for the week by steamer and country boats.</i>						
Patna ... ..	...	...	3,379	4,475	928	8,782
Total imports for the week ...	19,357	2,968	4,496	5,130	1,227	33,157

FORM No. 9.

[See section 26 (v) of the Code.]

DISTRICT PATNA.

Statement of exports of food-grains, in maunds, by rail during the week ending the 17th April 1897.

Station from which exported.	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains, such as barley, kodo, shama, marwa, Indian-corn, oats, millets, &c.	Total of columns 2 to 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mokameh ... ..	...	...	...	8,266	...	8,266
Barh	268	...	...	2,627	...	2,895
Bakhtiarpur	514	...	...	453	...	967
Patna	2	...	...	1,758	...	1,760
Patna Ghat	147	...	...	135	...	282
Bankipore	632	...	...	4,406	...	5,038
Poonpoo	211	...	...	...	71	182
Nadaul ... ..	...	...	...	222	...	222
Mokameh Ghat ... ..	...	...	...	647	...	647
Pandarak ... ..	...	...	...	91	...	91
Khusrupur ... ..	...	...	...	1,299	...	1,299
Bihta	2	...	...	...	...	2
Total exports for the week ...	1,676	...	...	19,904	189	21,769
Deduct local trade ...	584	...	...	666	55	1,305
Net exports by rail ...	1,092	...	...	19,238	134	20,464
<i>Exports for the week by steamer and country boats.</i>						
Patna	976	...	...	110	90	1,176
Total exports for the week ...	2,068	...	...	19,348	224	21,640

Statement of exports of food-grains, in maunds, by rail during the week ending the 24th April 1897.

Station from which exported.	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains, such as barley, kodo, shama, marwa, Indian-corn, oats, millets, &c.	Total of columns 2 to 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mokameh ... ..	...	...	...	8,590	...	8,590
Pandarak ... ..	...	...	...	379	...	379
Barh	289	...	...	2,857	...	3,146
Bakhtiarpur	31	...	...	980	...	1,011
Khusrapur ... ..	...	...	...	3,285	...	3,285
Fatwah	25	...	...	378	...	403
Patna	18	...	...	297	...	315
Patna Ghat	338	...	...	4,712	...	5,050
Bankipore	208	...	64	178	...	450
Digha Ghat ... ..	...	...	...	167	...	167
Poonpoo ... ..	...	...	...	98	...	98
Masaurhi	621	...	...	720	...	1,341
Nadoul ... ..	...	...	...	8	...	8
Total exports for the week ...	1,530	...	64	22,599	...	24,193
Deduct local trade ...	522	...	...	1,133	...	1,655
Net exports by rail ...	1,008	...	64	21,466	...	22,538
<i>Exports for the week by steamer and country boats.</i>						
Patna	877	...	466	225	...	1,568
Total exports for the week ...	1,885	...	530	21,691	...	24,106

Statement of exports of food-grains, in maunds, by rail during the week ending the 1st May 1897.

	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Mokameh ... ..	...	...	...	9,062	...	9,062
Pandarak ... ..	...	...	...	400	...	400
Barh	26	...	19	1,280	...	1,325
Bakhtiarpur	76	...	...	746	...	822
Khusrapur	550	...	...	2,318	...	2,868
Fatwah	37	...	...	755	...	792
Patna	43	...	...	242	...	285
Patna Ghat	181	...	51	6,297	...	6,529
Bankipore ... ..	...	...	...	134	...	134
Poonpoo	9	...	...	1,050	...	1,059
Masaurhi	21	...	...	643	...	664
Nadoul ... ..	...	...	...	...	38	38
Total exports for the week ...	943	...	70	22,917	38	23,968
Deduct local trade ...	310	...	51	1,247	...	1,608
Net exports by rail ...	633	...	19	21,670	38	22,360
<i>Exports for the week by steamers and country boats.</i>						
Patna	16	...	612	1,380	...	2,008
Total exports for the week ...	649	...	631	23,050	38	24,368

Abstract and comparative statements of imports and exports in the district of Patna for the three weeks ending 17th and 24th April and 1st May 1897.

OF GRAIN.	IMPORTS.						EXPORTS.						REMARKS.
	1896-97.			1897-98.			1896-97.			1897-98.			
	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		14
				Mds.	Mds.	Mds.				Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
				85,141	3,44,771	4,29,912				4,602	87,938	92,540	
				8,220	11,830	20,050					1,786	1,786	
				12,440	18,623	31,063				1,161	3,018	4,179	
				8,113	19,894	27,507				64,089	1,46,385	2,10,474	
				2,976	31,960	34,936				262	4,26,162	4,26,424	
Total				1,16,890	4,26,878	5,43,468				70,114	6,65,289	7,35,403	

FORM 10.

[See section 27 (i) of the Code.]

DISTRICT PATNA.

Monthly Famine Statement A for the five weeks ending Saturday evening, the 1st May 1897.

DISTRICT.	Area.	Population in thousands.	Affected area.	Estimated population in thousands of area in column 4.	Numbers on relief works on last day of month.					Numbers on gratuitous relief.	Price of one or more principal food-grains in seers per rupee.			Monthly death-rate—		Deaths due to starvation.
					Class A.	Class B.	Class C.	Class D.	Total.		Common rice.	Indian-corn.	Gram.	In the district.	In the affected area.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Patna	Sq. m. 2,082	1,772	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	131.58	7½ to 9½	9½ to 14	11 to 13½	None reported from subdivisions. Civil Surgeons' returns not received.		

FORM 11.

[See section 27 (ii) of the Code.]

DISTRICT PATNA.

Monthly Famine Statement B for the five weeks ending Saturday evening, the 1st May 1897.

DISTRICT.	Maximum number for whom employment on relief works is estimated in case of serious famine.	Number for whom relief was provided in last programme of relief works.		Number for whom relief can be provided by works remaining on programme on date of report.		Expenditure since 1st April 1897.					Advances since 1st April 1897 up to end of month under—	
		On large works.	On small works.	On large works.	On small works.	Date up to which account is made up.	On relief works.	On gratuitous relief.	Land Improvement Loans Act.	Agriculturists' Loans Act.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
Patna	177,090	2,082*	15,123	2,082*	15,123	1st May 1897 ...	Rs. A. P. Nil	Rs. A. P. (a) 32 2 9	Rs. A. P. Nil	Rs. A. P. 250 0 8		
Expenditure during the year 1896-97.	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,144 10 3	303 14 11½	Nil	610 0 0		

* These figures do not include any railway.

(a) This is the aggregate of the cost as shown in Form 7 for the present and the previous report. The subdivisional statements have not been correctly filled up.

Financial Statement.

NAME OF OFFICER.	Head of expenditures.	Allotments.	Balance at close of previous fortnight.	Expenditure during current fortnight.	Balance at close of this fortnight.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Sadar Famine Deputy Collector	Gratuitous relief	400	351 6 10½	15 2 0	336 4 10½	* Previous balance was Rs. 4-3-0 by mistake. † Price of pump and one iron ...
	Police	100	83 0 9	0 13 9	82 3 0	
	Poor-house	2,800	301 5 9*	† 114 12 0	186 9 9	
	Gratuitous relief	200	173 0 0	0 1 0	172 15 0	
City Magistrate	Police	60	57 1 6	0 4 0	56 13 0	
	Gratuitous relief	200	200 0 0	.....	200 0 0
Subdivisional Officer, Barh	Police	60	54 9 0	0 1 6	54 7 6	
	Gratuitous relief	300	244 5 6	10 8 0	233 13 6	
Ditto ditto, Bihar	Police	80	78 12 0	.....	78 12 0
	Gratuitous relief	100	100 0 0	.....	100 0 0
Ditto ditto, Dinapore	Police	20	9 14 0	0 2 6	9 11 6	
	Total	4,320	1,663 6 10½	141 12 9	1,511 10 1½	

Statement of poor-house opened in Bankipore during the weeks ending 17th and 24th April and 1st May 1897.

PERIOD.	Name of station.	DAILY AVERAGE OF THE INMATES.				Total.	RICE.		D&L.		OTHER ARTICLES OF FOOD.	Total value.
		Men.	Women.	Big children.	Small children.		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Value.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
17th to 24th April 1897.	Bankipore ...	56'71	33'93	10'78	6'43	107'85	Mds. s. c. 7 13 1	The value has not been paid to the contractor.	Mds. s. H. 0 35 6½	The value has not been paid to the contractor.	Nil	Nil.
24th to 1st May 1897.	Ditto ...	59'78	39'85	11'57	5'00	116'20	8 23 10	Ditto ...	1 2 11	Ditto ...	Nil	Nil.
	Ditto ...	56'92	50'85	10'82	6'0	124'59	9 6 12	Ditto ...	1 3 12½	Ditto ...	Nil	Nil.

T. INGLIS,
Collector.

No. 327G., dated Gaya, the 4th May 1897.

From—H. SAVAGE, Esq., c.s., Collector of Gaya,
To—The Commissioner of the Patna Division, Bankipore.

I HAVE the honour to submit Famine Report for the second-half of the month of April 1897. The figures relate to the period under report, with the exception of statements 8 and 9, which are for the two weeks ending 17th and 24th ultimo, as information for the week ending 1st May has not yet been received.

2. *Section 24 (1).*—No area is affected by famine.

3. *Section 24 (2).*—Crop prospect. Harvesting of *china* is nearly completed. Sugar-cane is doing well. During the period under report I visited the south-eastern part of the district where *mahua* is largely grown, and found that the crop, though somewhat damaged by rain and hail, is much superior to last year's crop.

4. *Prices of food-grains.*—The subjoined table (Appendix A) shows the prices of the principal food-grains for each subdivision. Prices are hardening. There are, however, no signs of distress as yet.

5. *Importation or exportation of food-grains.*—The figures of statements 8 and 9, annexed to this report, show:—

				Mds.
Import	...	...	...	22,691
Export	...	...	...	977

against 11,244 and 1,177 maunds respectively of the previous fortnight, leaving a net excess of import of 21,911 maunds during the period under report. One thousand three hundred and ninety-three maunds of Burmese rice and 836 maunds of country rice (total 2,232 maunds) have been exported to Daltonganj, against 2,179 maunds of the previous fortnight. The principal item of import by rail is rice (17,630 maunds). Rice came here from Howrah (10,027 maunds), Bolepur, Burdwan and Raniganj. No rice came from Calcutta, Sealdah or Kidderpur.

6. *Rainfall.*—There has been no rainfall during the period under report, except 0·62 of an inch on the 29th ultimo at Nawadah.

7. Public health continues extraordinary good. The death-rate per mille for the month of March last was 1·9 against 3·4 for the corresponding period of 1896.

8. No case of emigration or immigration of famished people has come to my notice.

9. *Section 24 (3).*—Relief works. Nil.

10. *Section 24 (4).*—Ninty-eight persons were on the average fed daily at the cook-house at Kusa, the quantity of rice, &c., country consumed being 82 maunds during the period under report.

11. An average number of 133 and 86 persons were respectively fed daily at Aurangabad and Madanpur kitchens, at a daily cost of Rs. 5 in each place.

12. The kitchens at Barachatti fed 775 persons at a cost of Rs. 35.

13. The average number of persons relieved daily at the Nawadah kitchen was 38 against 46 of the previous half month. Grain doles were also distributed daily to 11 persons who refused to take cooked food, or to those who came after the distribution of the cooked rice. The cost incurred amounted to Rs. 168.

14. The Mahanth of Budhauri distributed cooked food to 66 persons, and grain doles to 82 persons on an average per diem. The persons relieved are said to be travellers from up-country and *sadhus*, besides a few local *musahars*, &c. The quantity of grain distributed was about 10 maunds.

15. *Section 24 (5 to 7).*—Nil.

16. *Section 24 (8).*—No loan has been given under the Land Improvement Loans Act and the Agriculturists Loans Act during the period under review.

APPENDIX A.

Comparative statement showing the prices of food-grains for the three weeks ending 1st May 1897.

NAME OF GRAIN.	NAME OF SUBDIVISION.							
	SADAR (GAYA).		JAHANABAD.		AURANGABAD.		NOWADA.	
	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.	Fortnight ending 10th April 1897.	Three weeks ending 1st May 1897.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.	Seers.
Common rice local. ...	8 $\frac{1}{8}$	8	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{7}{8}$	8 $\frac{5}{16}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{3}{8}$
Common Burmese ...	9	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	...	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	...	8 $\frac{3}{8}$	...	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wheat ...	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{8}$	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{5}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Barley ...	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	12 $\frac{1}{16}$	12 $\frac{1}{8}$	12 $\frac{1}{8}$	14	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{16}$
Makai ...	11	...	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	...	...	...	...
Gram ...	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	10 $\frac{9}{16}$	12	11	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	12	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
Arhar ...	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	13 $\frac{3}{4}$	12	...	...	...	...
Marua ...	...	...	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{8}$	12	...	...	...

FORM No. 8.

GAYA DISTRICT.

Statement of imports of food-grains, in maunds, by rail for the fortnight ending 24th April 1897.

STATION TO WHICH IMPORTED.	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Jahanabad ...	Mds. 1,501	Mds. 120	Mds. ...	Mds. ...	Mds. 899	Mds. 2,520
Bela ...	825	...	...	...	266	1,091
Gaya ...	15,304	...	...	2,136	1,640	19,080
Total ...	17,630	120	...	2,136	2,805	22,691

FORM No. 9.

Statement of exports of food-grains, in maunds, by rail during the fortnight ending 24th April 1897.

STATIONS FROM WHICH EXPORTED.	Rice.	Paddy.	Wheat.	Gram and pulses.	Other food-grains.	TOTAL.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Jahanabad ...	Mds. 385	Mds. ...	Mds. ...	Mds. ...	Mds. 197	Mds. 582
Makhdumpur ...	49	...	...	...	...	49
Bela ...	343	...	...	...	...	343
Gaya ...	3	...	...	...	...	3
Total ...	780	...	...	...	197	977

Abstract and comparative statement of imports and exports in the district of Gaya during the fortnight ending 24th April 1897.

KIND OF GRAIN.	IMPORTS.						EXPORTS.						REMARKS.	
	1897-98.			1896-97.			1897-98.			1896-97.				
	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.	Fortnight under report.	Up to date of previous report.	Total.		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		13	14
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	
Rice	17,630	9,220	26,850	680	.....	680	780	398	1,088	4,546	6,066	10,612	
Paddy	120	.....	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	263	263	85	85	85	
Wheat ... ..	.....	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	606	606	1,196	368	463	
Gram and pulses ...	2,136	2,002	4,138	189	338	527	197	.....	197	.....	481	1,677	
Other food-grains ...	2,805	18	2,823	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	22,691	11,244	33,935	869	338	1,207	977	1,177	2,154	5,777	7,000	12,777		

FORM 10.

[See section 27 (i) of the Code.]

GAYA DISTRICT.

Monthly Famine Statement A for the five weeks ending Saturday evening, the 1st May 1897.

DISTRICT.	Area.	Popula- tion in thou- sands.	Affect- ed area.	Estimated population in thousands of area in column 4.	NUMBERS ON RELIEF WORKS ON LAST DAY OF MONTH.					Num- bers on gratui- tous relief.	PRICE OF ONE OR MORE PRINCIPAL FOOD- GRAINS IN SEERS PER RUPEE.			MONTHLY DEATH-RATE—		Deaths stated.
					Class A.	Class B.	Class C.	Class D.	Total.					In the district.	In the affect- ed area.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Gaya	Sq. miles. 4,712	2,138,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	.....

FORM 11.

[See section 27 (ii) of the Code.]

GAYA DISTRICT.

Monthly Famine Statement B for the five weeks ending Saturday evening, the 1st May 1897.

DISTRICT.	Maximum number for whom employment on relief works is estimated to be required in case of serious fam	NUMBER FOR WHOM RELIEF WAS PROVIDED IN LAST PROGRAMME OF RELIEF WORKS.		NUMBER FOR WHOM RELIEF CAN BE PRO- VIDED BY WORKS REMAINING ON PRO- GRAMME ON DATE OF REPORT.		EXPENDITURE SINCE 189			ADVANCES SINCE 189 UP TO END OF MONTH UNDER—		
		On large works.	On small works.	On large works.	On small works.	Date up to which account is made up.	On relief works.	On gratuitous relief.	Land Improvement Loans Act.	Agricul- turists' Loans Act.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
									Rs.	Rs.	
Gaya	

GAYA COLLECTORATE,
The 4th May 1897.

H. SAVAGE,
Collector

In addition to these seven works, the Sahar tank is being excavated at the cost of the ward, but under Government supervision.

19. The Hata-Bhabua road has been finished and the staff transferred to the Bhabua-Rajghat road. The Hata-Durgaoti road has been closed, as the railway authorities have increased their rates for earthwork to Rs. 2-8 per 1,000 cubic feet, and it was not thought desirable to have a large work open near at hand which might compete with the railway. During the past three weeks the rates of wages on relief works have been decreased by one pice all round, and the new rates are based on the mean of rice at 8½ seers and pea at 10½ seers, which gives a rate of 9½ seers. The new wages are:—

		Maximum.	Minimum.	Penal.
		As. p.	As. p.	As. p.
Diggers ...	...	2 0	1 6	0 9
Adult carriers ...	...	.....	1 6	0 9
Child ...	...	.....	0 9	0 6
Dependent child ...	...	.....	.....	0 3

The introduction of this rate has caused some grumbling, but there has been no distress among the labourers on account of this reduction. In my tour, which lasted from 19th to 23rd ultimo, I inspected all the relief works and paid special attention to this question of wages. I found generally that when the labourers clearly understood the new scale of wages, they as a rule were moderately satisfied. It was the stoutly-built professional labourers who made the most outcry. It is not possible to fix a standard which shall absolutely agree with prices, but the wages, as given above, enable the labourers to purchase the grain equivalents as prescribed in the Famine Code.

20. The total number of labourers employed on the last day of the period, i.e., 1st May, on task works, was 5,898, and on daily wages irrespective of task 1,050, against 9,889 and 457 on the last day of the preceding period.

21. The following table compares the daily average of male units on task-work and daily wages irrespective of task, daily outturn, and the cost per 1,000 cubic feet for the last five weeks:—

Week ending	Number of works.	Task work.	Daily wages.	Total.	Average daily outturn.	Cost per 1,000 cubic feet.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
3rd April 1897	...	7	7,196	516	7,712	39	Rs. A. P. 2 13 2
10th " "	...	7	6,417	619	7,036	35	2 14 1
17th " "	...	7	7,297	909	8,206	35½	2 12 1
24th " "	...	7	5,174	855	6,029	39	2 7 2
1st May "	...	6	4,196	668	4,864	39	2 3 7

22. The decrease in the number of labourers is noticeable to a certain extent on all the works. This is due to several causes; first of all to the decrease in the rate of wages, which has driven away all who came on to the works to add to their income, and not because they required the wages for the sake of subsistence; *secondly*, to the closing of the Hata-Bhabua and Hata-Durgaoti roads, which employed a large number of labourers, whereas the Bhabua-Rajghat and Bhabua-Jahanabad roads are not yet fully attended; and *thirdly*, to the increase in the railway rates, which has induced all professional labourers to go to the railway line rather than earn a famine wage on our works, and *fourthly*, to the fact that several private works have been opened which absorb a certain amount of labour. The number is now the same practically as in the week ending 27th March. Under these circumstances, I am of opinion that the number of relief works now in progress is sufficient, and that there will not be any considerable increase in our numbers. The railway rates should continue to attract more and more labour as they become generally known. The daily outturn is fairly satisfactory considering the hard soil on some of the roads. In my recent inspection I was, on the whole, satisfied with the management of the works and the amount of work done by the labourers. The tasks are quite as high as they can be made, considering the nature of the soil and the recent reduction in wages. On two of the roads many of the labourers were content to do a task which gave them only the penal wage, showing that they did not depend upon the relief works for their subsistence. The reduction in wages will tend to eliminate these people. On only one road (Jahanabad-Mullickpur) did I find the workers out of hand. I raised the task, and the labourers left in a body. The management had been slack, and the distress there (Chenari outpost) is not as keen as in Bhabua Proper. Mr. Stephenson reports that more than half the workers returned next day, and have done the prescribed task steadily. The reduction in the cost per 1,000 cubic feet is due to the lowering of the wages. The pits system